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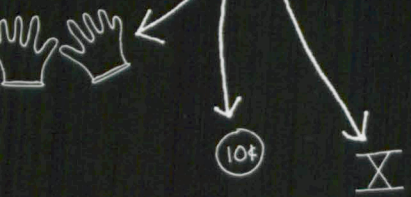
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TENACITY, (*tuh*-**nas**-i-tee) *n.*
The quality of holding together; cohesive; not readily letting go of; tough



Tenacity is the force that drives us to hold on. It motivates us to persevere, bolsters our determination and reminds us that no matter what the odds or costs, we must stay true to our goals and—even more importantly—to our roots. May this book inspire tenacity in each of its readers—tenacity in both future pursuits and in the commitment to memories created here in Foggy Bottom. Four years at GW are not easily forgotten and it is our hope that Tenacity will hold us together for years to come, uniting us by our shared history on this campus and reminding us of our collegiate years in a city unlike any other. Congratulations to the Class of 2010. We wish you health, happiness and tenacity.



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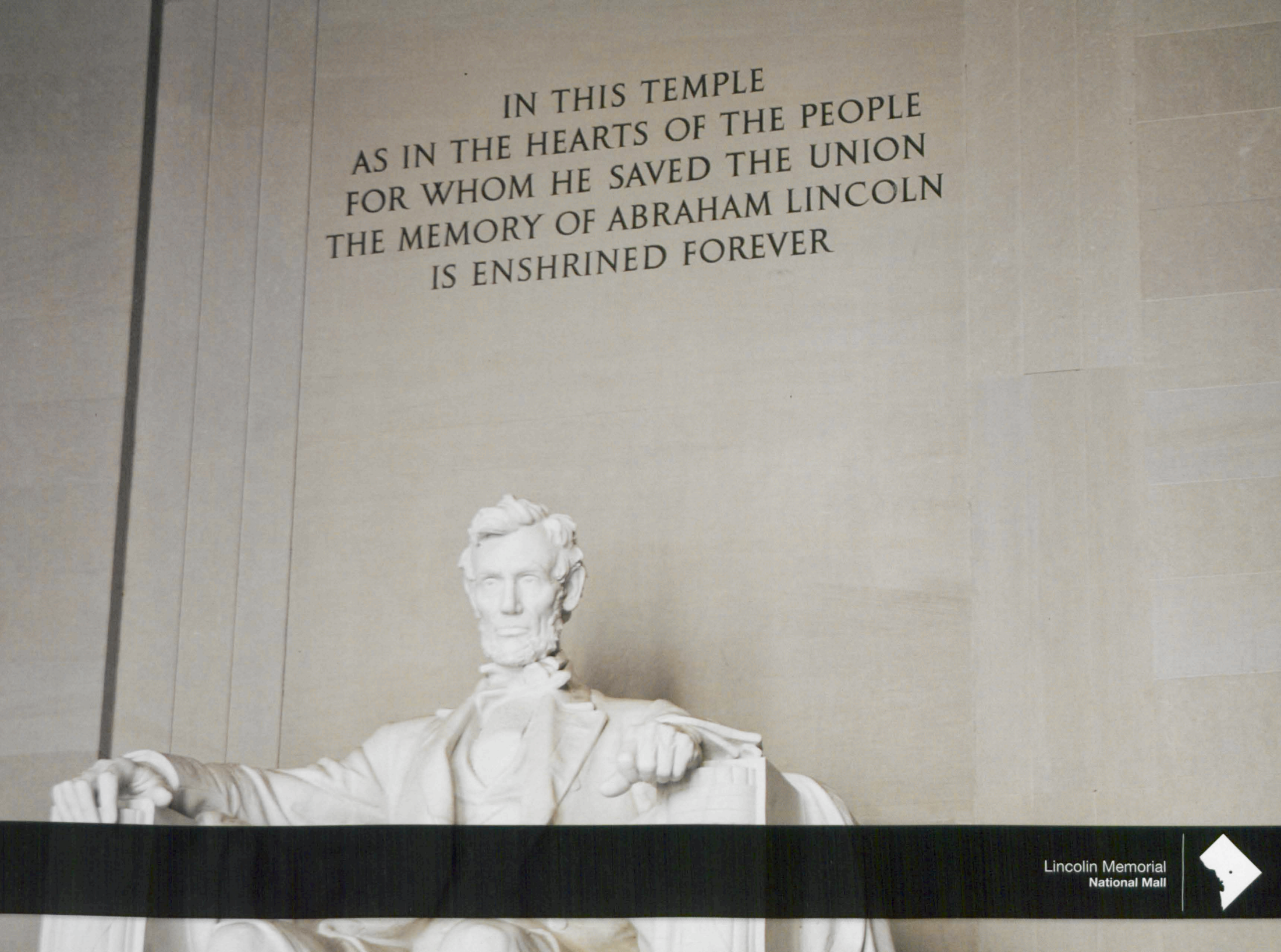
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"As I look back on all that's happened…growing up, growing together, changing you, changing me… there were times when we dreamed together, when we laughed and cried together. As I look back on those days, I realize how much I truly miss you and how much I truly love you. The past may be gone forever and whatever the future holds, our todays make the memories of tomorrow. So, my lifetime friend, it is with all my heart that I send you my love, hoping that you'll always carry my smile with you, for all we have meant to each other and for whatever the future may hold."

– The Wonder Years



To the Class of 2010:

The challenge of growing up and moving on with our lives is leaving everything we have come to know behind. But I am confident in you, my fellow classmates. You will do great things. As a graduating class, we are strong, confident, outstanding, hardworking. We should be proud of our accomplishments.

We began our time at GW in Thurston, hallways overflowing with the excitement of eager freshmen itching to make new friends and form new identities. In South Hall, we concluded our college journey as confident young adults ready to embark upon a new chapter in our lives. And somewhere in between that first night in Thurston and that last night on campus, we found ourselves. We grew up. We grew into a remarkable group of individuals.

As we depart from four of the most outstanding years of our lives, parting from the place we have learned to call home, I leave you with this message: Demand more from your life. Do not settle for anything less than what you deserve. Continue to be extraordinary—and always remember where you flourished from feeble freshmen to stellar seniors. As we leave GW and follow our individual paths, I hope that the friendships you have established here and the education you have gained are never forgotten. And please do not forget the memories—for they are all that remain of our college experience, our time at the George Washington University.

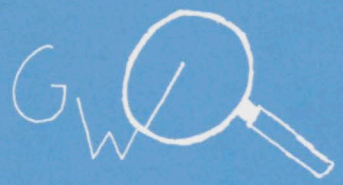
It is my sincere intention that this book will serve as a collector of such memories, an extension of your Facebook pictures from a formal or the snapshots of our final senior week. May the 2010 Cherry Tree serve as a reminder of where we started out—of where we found our footing.

Congratulations! We did it!

- Callie Meserole


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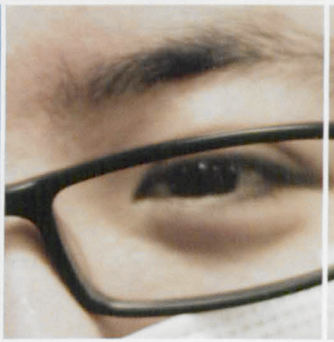




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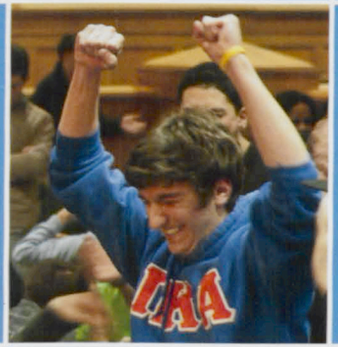
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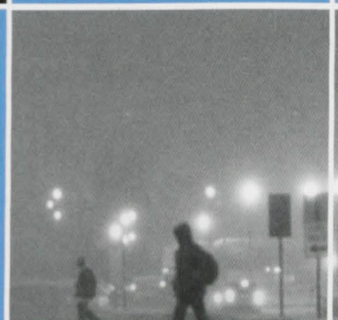


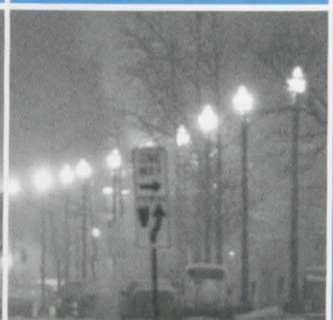
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TIGHTENING TIES TO GW

Students discovered GW during Welcome Week

Undergraduates arriving to campus started the 2009-2010 school year off on the right foot with their attendance at many Welcome Week events. Coordinated by the Student Activities Center, the events began on Aug. 29, and focused on introducing freshmen to GW campus life and reacquainting returning students.

Welcome Week kicked off with G-Dub First Night on the fifth floor of the Marvin Center, which gave freshmen the chance to mix and mingle. A DJ blasted the latest beats for students to dance to, while other attendees bonded over Rock Band and bowling.

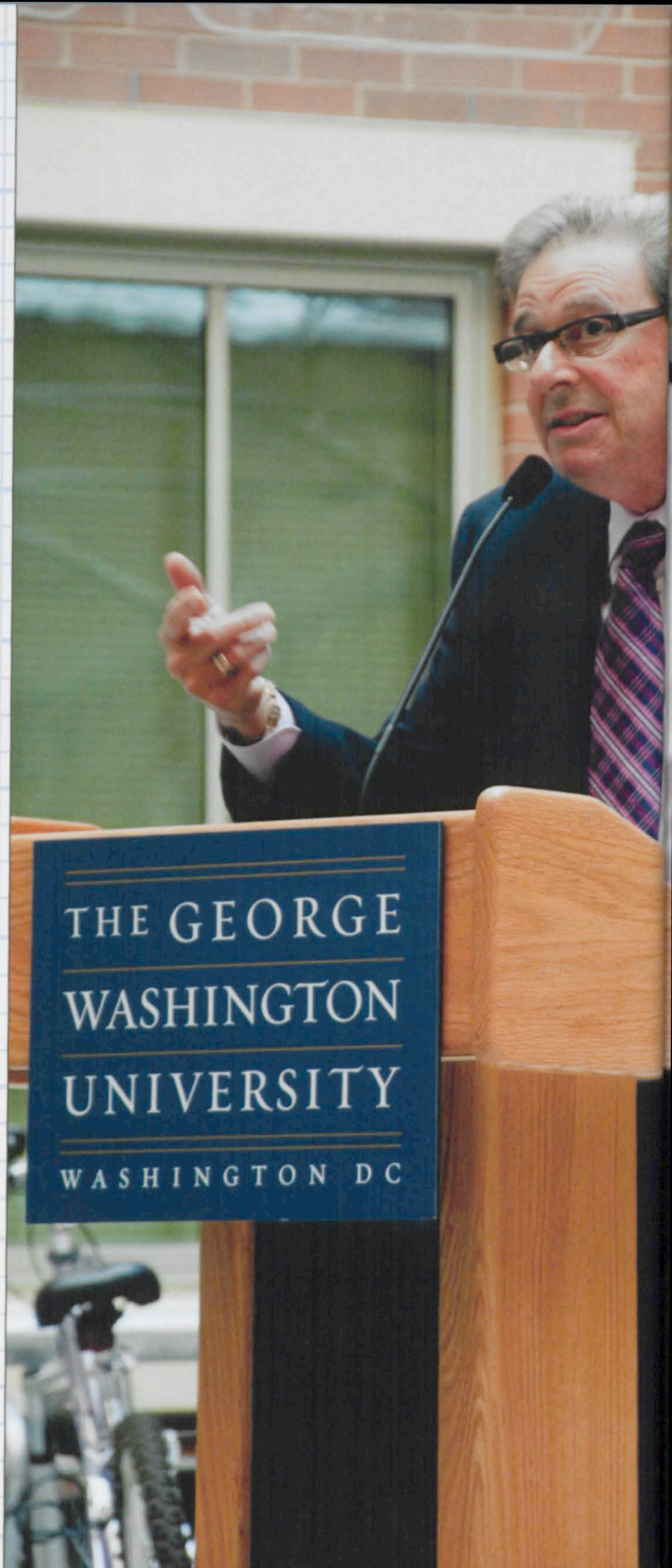
Freshmen spent the next morning at Freshman Convocation, the official start of the GW academic experience. University President Steven Knapp welcomed students to the university and stressed that "No matter what you study, no matter where you are on the spectrum of political opinion, you'll enjoy the privilege as a GW student of a front row seat in the theater of history that no other university can provide."

Following the conclusion of the pomp and circumstance, freshmen headed to University Yard for Fresh on the Yard, an event hosted by Class Council, Residence Hall Association and GW's Foggy Bottom neighbors. Students munched on hot dogs, hamburgers and veggie burgers while they sat in circles getting to know their classmates and listening to performances from GW student groups like the GW Troubadours.

Music was made outside of Fresh on the Yard, too. A student performance showcase on Monday introduced a full audience of students to the arts at GW. From acapella to drama and dance, 17 performances from both groups and individual students enjoyed the spotlight before the crowd and offered students the chance to see what student performance organizations were working on.

The week brought plenty of opportunities for new undergraduates to jump into student life at GW. The Student Organization fair in University Yard brought student groups together to persuade students to get involved at GW. Somewhere in the continuum between InterVarsity Christian Fellowship to Voices for Choices, students could find an organization that was the right fit for them.

Seniors also had a chance to bond over their years together at GW at the Senior Class Gift Kickoff at Nick's Riverside Grill. The event was hosted by Class Council on Thursday night and united the senior class to celebrate their first week of senior year. It was one of the most well attended Senior Class Council events and attracted about 300 students. **Andrew Elwell**





"WELCOME WEEK WAS WICKED... I SIMPLY COULDN'T WAIT FOR WHAT THE REST OF MY FIRST YEAR AT GW HAD TO OFFER ME."

Yekaterina Weitzmann, Freshman

FIRE BURNING ON THE DANCE FLOOR

Sean Kingston cut his performance short after students threw glow sticks

A taste of the country came to the District during Program Board's rodeo-themed Fall Fest on University Yard on Sept. 7. Students enjoyed free hamburgers, hot dogs and veggie burgers along with other surprises like a mechanical bull and inflatable jousting booth on what turned out to be a surprisingly clear day, despite forecasts calling for rain.

The gorgeous weather set the stage for fun, games and giveaways from establishments like Zipcar and Target. Performances from student groups, such as GW Troubadours, GW Vibes, Sons of Pitch and Capital Funk also added flavor to the festivities.

Reggae and rap recording star Sean Kingston performed for Fall Fest enthusiasts. The 19- year-old singer and rapper performed as darkness fell on University Yard.

Kingston's performance ended abruptly after a small group of students continued to throw glow sticks onto the stage, disregarding stern admonitions from event organizers. About 30 minutes into his performance, Kingston left the stage and Student Activities Center Director Tim Miller came on stage to address the behavior of the crowd. Kingston returned to the stage to sing his hit "Fire Burning on the Dance Floor," but left at the conclusion of the song after another glow stick was thrown at him.

"I was disappointed," junior Molly Anixt said. "I had high hopes for this year's Fall Fest. It is disheartening that one student had to ruin it for everyone else."

Program Board worked hard to improve Fall Fest for 2009 attendees. In 2008, the low-profile Virginia Coalition headlined Fall Fest. The addition of Sean Kingston to the event in 2009 attracted more students to University Yard than previous performers had in the past.

While students may have been disappointed by Kingston's shortened performance, Fall Fest certainly offered a nice break from the start of classes and geared students up for the long Labor Day Weekend ahead. **Andrew Elwell**



WELCOME TO YOUR NEW HOME

Ten Reasons to Live in South Hall

1) You Had Your Own Bedroom - South Hall featured suites designed for four or five students, but these larger suites were comprised of coveted single bedrooms. Some rooms were made up of double rooms, as well. On a campus where single rooms were hard to come by, South Hall was a welcome addition to the GW community. The single rooms gave residents privacy and promoted community among suitemates, who shared a kitchen and living room.

2) You Were Not Alone on F St. - Located on GW's F Street corridor, South Hall's location made it prime real estate for the average GW undergrad. South Hall was one of seven residence halls on F Street, which made it easy for residents to stay connected with friends.

3) One Hundred Percent Seniors - South Hall housed exclusively seniors in its first year, making it a hub of social life for the Class of 2010. GW Housing Programs offered special registration for seniors to apply for the luxury of South Hall living early in the spring 2009 semester.

4) LEED Certified and Loving It - South Hall was the first GW residence hall certified by Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED). The building featured bamboo paneling, low-flow plumbing fixtures and energy-efficient appliances. "Those familiar with an artist's palate know that when you mix buff and blue, you get green," Executive Vice President Robert Chernak joked at the South Hall housewarming.

5) An Easier Commute - With South Hall's close proximity to academic buildings and food venues like the Ivory Tower dining area, students needed only a few minutes to crawl out of bed, grab a breakfast sandwich at GW Deli and make their way to class on time.

6) No Need to Pay $3 For a Load of Laundry - Students no longer needed to drag a full month's worth of laundry to the laundry room. All rooms were equipped with a washer and dryer, which made doing laundry a more enjoyable task.

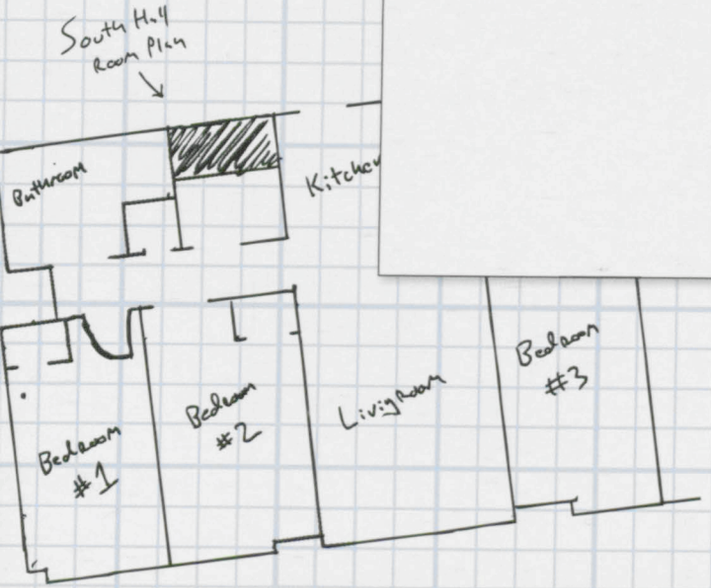
7) Bike Friendly - In an effort to encourage GW students to ride bicycles more often, South Hall offered 72 bike storage spaces for student use.

8) Free Brita Filters - As part of Brita's Filter for Good campaign, each room received a free Brita water filter and Nalgene bottles for all residents in an effort to reduce their dependence on bottled water.

9) Natural Lighting - Each suite's living area included floor-to-ceiling windows. "It was the first thing I noticed," senior Emily Werboff said. The windows were another feature of the building's green design.

10) It Wasn't Thurston - Remember those days in your Thurston six?

Andrew Elwell







SOUTH HALL AT A GLANCE

116 Rooms
473 Beds
16 Five Person Rooms
96 Four Person Rooms



SERVICE GIVEN ATTENTION

More than 1000 freshmen participated in service projects across the District

Over one thousand members of the Class of 2013 gave back to America's war veterans on Sept. 11, spending two and a half hours volunteering in D.C.for GW's first Freshman Day of Service.

During Freshman Day of Service, the university announced a challenge to the GW community from First Lady Michelle Obama. While volunteering at a Habitat for Humanity site with GW Student Assocation President Julie Bindelglass and senior Shakir Cannon-Move, the First Lady called on GW students, faculty and alumni to complete 100,000 hours of community service. She vowed to speak at the Class of 2010's commencement ceremony if GW could step up to the challenge. The announcement excited GW students and encouraged them to seek out community service opportunities.

"My challenge to the GW community is to make service a daily part of their lives," the First Lady said.

GW students participated in service activities at 14 different locations throughout the city. From the United Services Organization to the Anacostia Watershed Society, freshmen and upperclassmen worked together at their assigned sites.

"Our commitment to service is unrivaled," Student Association Vice President Jason Lifton boasted at the opening celebration.

"My best friend is in the army," freshman Jon Fenech said. "It felt really good to know that my service today directly affected those who have sacrificed so much for us."

Freshman Service Coordinator Shannon Donahue noted that over the course of the day, students packaged 14,000 pounds of food for distribution to the hungry, made 7,500 care packages for servicemen and servicewomen overseas and cleaned Fort Dupont, Oxen Run and Marvin Gaye Parks.

"We are hoping to immerse GW students in a life of service," Donahue said.

Following the closing ceremony, the GW community gathered to remember the victims of Sept. 11, 2001 with an emotional candlelight vigil. **Andrew Elwell**



Ready to Serve

Student volunteers listened attentively while Assistant Secretary of the Navy B.J. Penn, GW President Knapp and Dean of Freshmen Fred Siegel gave motivational speeches during the opening ceremonies.



Attention!

Current servicemen reminded the students of who they served. Courage, resilience and patriotism motivated the students to give back to veterans.



Watching Over

Law officials looked on as the freshmen gathered to fulfill First Lady Obama's challenge.

GW GLOBE TROTTERS

Student experienced new cultures and experiences while studying abroad

Living in Washington, D.C. was a one-of-a-kind experience. With its mix of unique neighborhoods and cultural diversity, it was an international city—and GW was certainly a global university. Students' global education took on a whole new meaning when they studied abroad. From Spain to China and Kenya, sophomores, juniors and seniors took advantage of GW's study abroad options.

Between 2003 and 2008, over 6,000 GW students studied abroad in 70 countries. According to the Office of Study Abroad, a majority of the junior class studied abroad each year. Whether they were experiencing a new culture or perfecting a new language, students spent their time abroad living amongst different cultures and diverse communities. Ambitious travelers devoured croissants in France, sipped cappuccino in Italy and went on jungle safaris in Africa.

Students interested in studying abroad first narrowed down the plethora of study abroad programs. Most students sought opportunities for the summer, fall or spring and some decided to spend an entire year abroad. GW offered programs in the United Kingdom, France, Spain and numerous Latin American countries and had partnerships with many other programs around the globe. After applying and being accepted to their program, students had to go through the exhausting process of having their visas approved, finding flights and figuring out their housing situation abroad.

"There are a myriad of reasons students chose to study abroad, including to learn a new language or improve language proficiency, expand coursework options, learn about different cultures, participate in an internship, develop new skills to return to the U.S. more adaptive, independent and employable or simply to experience something different from GW," Study Abroad adviser Danielle Quigg said.

Whatever their reason, students relished their time abroad. Senior Brian McCall, who studied abroad in Cape Town, South Africa during the spring of 2009, could not have been happier with his choice to study abroad. "Cape Town was an eye opening experience in so many wonderful and surprising ways," he said. "I was able to live in a completely new environment while still working toward my degree."

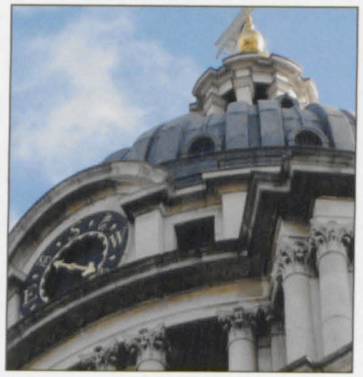
While some students had trouble adjusting to their arrival in a foreign country, others had more trouble with reverse cultural shock upon returning to the United States.

Victoria Reiss, a senior who studied in London in the spring of 2009, was one of those students. "I was in London and had to constantly remind myself of the differences in culture because if I didn't, it felt a lot like New York," she said. "It wasn't really until I returned to the states that I was able to really understand the overall differences in the ways of life there instead of just focusing on the specific, finite differences."

Adventurous GW students who took the opportunity abroad may have missed a semester at GW, but the memories of exotic cultures and engaging people lasted long after their four years at GW were over.

Andrew Elwell



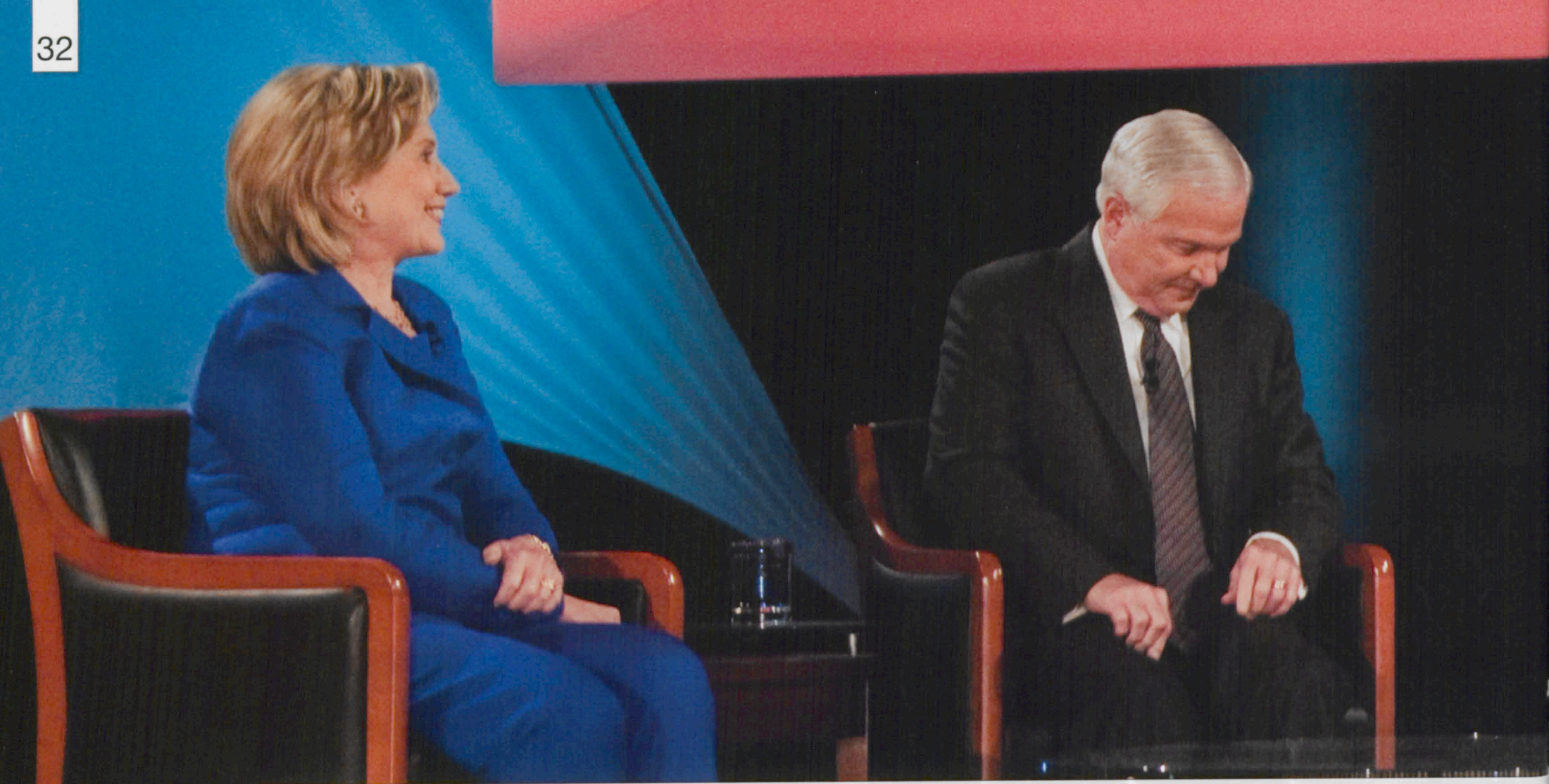












POLITICS AS USUAL

Two sitting secretaries spoke in Lisner Auditorium

A year after a historic election swept through the GW campus, Secretary of State Hillary Clinton and Secretary of Defense Robert Gates spoke to CNN Chief International Correspondent Christian Amanpour and Director of the School of Media and Public Affairs Frank Sesno before a captive audience at Lisner Auditorium on Oct. 5. The "Power & Persuasion" program was taped in front of a live audience of GW students, faculty and staff and aired the following day on CNN as part of Amanpour's show, aptly named "Amanpour."

At most schools, students stood in lines just to get tickets for the student section at the football game, but at GW, students camped out overnight for a chance to witness political heavyweights Clinton and Gates. Students began lining up outside Lisner Auditorium at 9 p.m. when tickets would not be distributed unt 9 a.m. the next morning. Tickets sold out in fiv minutes.

The urgency with which students pursue tickets to the event proved worthwhile, as the program provided important perspectives on current events.

"Tonight's event highlights all that is right with our country today," University Board of Trustees Chairman W. Russell Ramsey said.

Amanpour and Sesno posed questions on everything from the War in Iraq to



nuclear weapons in Iran. With President Obama reviewing the strategy on the War in Afghanistan at the time of the program, Amanpour and Sesno quizzed the secretaries on the President's strategic plans and about whether the American people should be privy to information given to the President by his advisers about military operations in Afghanistan.

"It is unusual for all advice about military matters to be in public for a president," Clinton said. "The process that President Obama has put together is, I think, one of the most open, most thorough that I've read about."

Following the discussion, GW students were able to ask the secretaries questions. "How do you see new media in the future of public diplomacy?" senior Caitlin Downs asked Secretary Clinton.

"New media is the reality," Clinton responded, noting that the State Department wanted to make it another instrument in the toolbox of public diplomacy. Clinton used Twitter as an example of the importance of social media, mentioning its impact on communication during the Iranian elections in the summer of 2009. Clinton discussed Iranian use of the social media Web site for information dissemination during the upheaval surrounding the chaotic post-election period. This information proved invaluable to the State Department, which later intervened to prevent the site from shutting down for 48 hours of software updates.

"We're back to listening, back to engaging," Clinton said, explaining how new media was used to engage the national and international community.

Democrat or Republican, GW students enjoyed the opportunity to see two sitting Cabinet secretaries grace the stage of Lisner. Just another day at GW. **Andrew Elwell**

LAUGHING OUT LOUD

Jon Stewart performed during Colonials Weekend

Laughter and hilarity filled the Smith Center on a dreary, rain-soaked night as Jon Stewart performed at GW's eighth annual Colonials Weekend. The comedian—well-known for his satirical television program "The Daily Show"—delivered punch lines during two sold out shows in the newly renovated Charles E. Smith Center on, Oct. 17.

Weather did not cooperate as hundreds of parents descended on campus for Colonials Weekend, but the unrelenting rain did not dampen the excitement generated by Stewart's appearance. President Knapp introduced the formerly named Entertainment Weekly Entertainer of the Year as "the foremost social commentator, satirist and comedian of today" in the opening of the weekend's culminating event.

In reference to the major renovations to the Smith Center and with his eyes turned to the bare stage draped with plain black curtains and lit by muted purple lights, Stewart joked, "I see you went all out with the decorations." He touched on topics ranging from Guantanamo Bay and gay marriage to religion and parenting. The crowd cackled with laughter as the comedian—known chiefly for his political satire—regaled them with jokes for over an hour.

No one was safe as Stewart commented on both Democrats and Republicans. "Republicans love their country, they just hate 50 percent of the people living in it," Stewart said. "Democrats love their country, they just wish it were another one."

Jokes weren't the only thing on the menu. Stewart discussed the moment he realized he couldn't protect his children forever, drawing a connection with the many parents in the audience. Stewart provided this thoughtful commentary on a weekend when GW students were spending quality time with family that had converged on the District to spend time with their Colonials.

"My wife is Catholic, I'm Jewish," he told the crowd. "We're raising the children to be sad."

After Stewart finished, the crowd jumped to their feet. The comedian returned to tell a personal story of life in New York City post-9/11. "I felt like life was over, like a dark cloud had descended," he told the silent audience. He recalled that one month after Sept. 11, 2001 as he was leaving his building, he came across a homeless man who usually sat on his building's stoop, but had not been there since the national tragedy occurred. The man was masturbating.

"I remember thinking in that moment, 'We're going to be OK,'" he said before leaving the stage to a standing ovation. For a few hours on that Saturday night, parents and students enjoyed a laugh and some time together as part of another successful Colonials Weekend.

Andrew Elwell



THE GREAT PUMPKIN PATCH

GW parents and siblings enjoyed fall festivities on the Vern

Fall spirit filled Lloyd Gym on Oct. 19, as parents, grandparents and siblings ventured from GW's main campus to enjoy Octoberfest. Students invited their parents, brothers, sisters and extended families to spend the rainy afternoon playing festive games and carving pumpkins—a day of fun that was part of a series of events scheduled for Colonials Weekend.

Sponsored by Mount Vernon Programming Council (MVPC), Octoberfest left students and their families awed at the many activities occurring simultaneously. The mound of large pumpkins in the corner of the gym was impressive in size. Volunteers helped young children pick out stencils to design their pumpkins, while others painted pumpkins. Numerous student organizations had representatives at Octoberfest coloring pictures, decorating cookies and making arts and crafts alongside the many children that attended.

"Even on a rainy day, the kids are fully enjoying all of the festivities offered," GW mom Kathryn Jones said as she watched her son, junior Jake Jones, painting a pumpkin with his younger brother.

Guests drank apple cider and ate pumpkin squares as the GW Sirens, Pitches and Sons of Pitch impressed them with their musical talent. Big George and Dean of Freshmen Fred Siegel also were present to cheer on participants during the annual pie eating contest, mummy wrap, jack o' lantern contest and tug of war.

Others joined in the celebration after taking a look at GW's Mount Vernon Campus. GW visitors were offered an opportunity to take a hard hat tour of Pelham Hall.

After a guided tour of Pelham Hall's construction site, freshman Meg Mansfield and her parents listened to Octoberfest's guest entertainers, reflecting on their experience so far during Parents' Weekend. "We are just enjoying meeting students and faculty," Mansfield said as her family conversed with other GW students and parents sitting at their table.

As the event concluded, Mount Vernon Programming Council's members expressed how lucky they felt to put on an event during Colonials Weekend. The council highlighted that although planning started in the summer, the event would have not been possible without the support of their newest freshman members.

"You want your parents to come visit you, but you want them to have something to do," MVPC junior Sam Tamboline said. **Katelyn Payne**







"YOU WANT YOUR PARENTS TO COME VISIT YOU, BUT YOU WANT THEM TO HAVE SOMETHING TO DO"

Sam Tamboline, Junior

WON'T YOU BE MY NEIGHBOR?

GW strengthened its relationship with Foggy Bottom neighbors

The often stressful role of neighbor was made all the more difficult for residents of the Foggy Bottom neighborhood, who shared their turf with a mid-sized university teeming with students. GW did its best as a respectful neighbor throughout the year and celebrated its positive relationship with the Foggy Bottom community during its seventh annual Foggy Bottom/West End Neighborhood Block Party on Oct. 18. FRIENDS, an organization affiliated with the university's Department of Community Relations, organized the event as part of its effort to encourage dialogue between GW and the local community.

The Block Party united the Foggy Bottom community and the GW family in coordination with Colonials Weekend. Thousands of visitors and over 100 participants milled among the booths situated on the Eye Street Mall between 23rd and 24th Streets. GW organizations including Circle K, the Residence Hall Association and Off Campus Student Affairs had booths alongside business and community members like Trader Joe's and Saint Mary's Court. The GW Hospital provided free health screenings, as well.

Attendees snacked on popcorn and cotton candy, while members of the Washington Humane Society sauntered around the event with adoptable dogs. A performance by The Miller Band and Forbidden Planet Production's toned-down rendition of The Time Warp entertained crowds. Many other performance groups were also in attendance for the afternoon.

The 2009 block party came on the heels of an announcement that GW had been named one of the Top 25 "Best Neighbor" Colleges and Universities based on a study conducted by Westfield State College. Based on comprehensive written surveys, GW was ranked 24th and was the only school in the District of Columbia to receive the honor of a mention. The survey noted GW's Center for Excellence in Public Leadership, FRIENDS and the care given to community by the GW Hospital as its notable neighborly features.

As the university expanded by leaps and bounds, the surrounding community was forced to deal with GW's growing presence in the Foggy Bottom neighborhood. The university—tiny, bankrupt and brand new to Foggy Bottom in the early twentieth century—was a world-class institution in 2009. In a globalized world, GW students still had to mind their manners and remember their true neighbors in the Foggy Bottom area it called home. **Andrew Elwell**





Foggy Bottom

It's a beautiful day
A beautiful day for a neighbor
would you be mine?

It's time for Party hats!



TEN WAYS GW WAS GREEN

As the Green Revolution took over the nation, GW worked to be sustainable

1) Environmentally Conscious Student Orgs - GW students promoted solutions to environmental issues on campus with events and campaigns to support the reduction of GW's carbon footprint and to make GW more green. Green GW, Net Impact, Food Justice Alliance and Students 4 Sustainability took charge of GW's Green Revolution.



#2

LEED Buildings - South Hall became GW's first LEED certified building in fall 2009. Pelham Hall was also constructed under LEED standards.

#3

Green Move-Out - GW's Green Move-Out program allowed students to donate clothing and unused food as they prepared to leave their residence halls. The program received the Washington Business Journal's 2009 Green Business Award for Innovation.

#4

EcoChallenge - Competition between residence halls and townhouses encouraged students to reduce their impact on the environment. The competition awarded the residence that had the largest combined percent reduction per person.

#5

Planet Forward - Spearheaded by SMPA Director Frank Sesno, Planet Forward was a multi-media initiative that encouraged debate on environmental issues and proposed ways to reduce our nation's carbon footprint. Featured on PBS, Planet Forward offered the GW community a chance to make its voice heard on environmental issues.

#6

Green Alumni Network - Launched in 2009, the Network offered opportunities for members to discuss issues of environmental degradation and sustainable practices.

#7

Environmentally Focused Academics - GW offered courses focusing on sustainable environments in subjects ranging from geography to business and philosophy. Incoming freshmen even joined the movement, reading Tom Friedman's "Hot, Flat and Crowded."

#8

American College and University President's Climate Commitment (ACUPCC) - After completing a greenhouse gas inventory, the university created a Climate Action Plan to reduce its emissions, especially concerning energy usage and transportation.

#9

Green Roof/GroW Community Garden - GW's first green roof, located on the roof terrace of the Elliott School, decreased heating and cooling needs of the building and absorbed storm water. The GroW Community Garden, located behind Ross Hall, demonstrated the importance of organic, locally grown food, enhanced the local ecosystem and absorbed storm water runoff. Students managed the garden and donated its yield to Miriam's Kitchen for the homeless.

#10

Transportation - The District of Columbia Department of Transportation launched an automated bike rental system, SmartBike. GW was also the first university to form a partnership with Zipcar. Students, faculty and neighbors of the university were granted a 50 percent reduction in membership fees.

GW'S MELTING POT

International students played an integral role in GW life

In addition to representatives from all 50 states, the GW student body boasted many members from abroad. Students flew in from around the world to attend classes and live in Washington, D.C. "The Cherry Tree" spoke with four international students about their experiences living in the city and being part of the GW community. **Andrew Elwell**

Hauwa Okorie
International Affairs major
Nigeria and Taiwan

Ozinna Anumudu
Economics major
Nigeria

Jiahe "Jamie" Lu
Psychology and Economics major
China

Kyle Chan
Mechanical/Aerospace Engineering major
Mauritius

CT: What is your favorite part of America?
HO: Ordering food whenever you want to.

CT: Do you miss home?
JL: Yeah, but school, work and friends keep me busy and I'm enjoying what I'm doing now.

CT: What is the weirdest thing that has happened to you at GW?
KC: One time, I almost got arrested for wearing carton boxes as armor and running around on the Mall.

CT: How do you feel GW represents American culture?
JL: GW definitely presents American culture well. It integrates other cultures into its community. It might have been better if GW had some student organizations and events that showcased American culture.

CT: Has it been difficult being an international student at GW?
KC: No, at least not for me. I don't have any problems communicating in English and the people here are really friendly.

CT: What was your freshman year at GW like?
JL: The first semester of my freshman year was a little difficult adjusting to college in a new city. It took me a while to figure out how to manage my time and study for each class accordingly. I think, for international students, socializing with domestic students is another challenge, but now I feel pretty comfortable around campus.

CT: What is one thing you would to change about America?
OA: The level of ignorance

CT: How does American food compare to food in your home country?
HO: American food always comes in large portions.

CT: What is your favorite American TV show?
OA: Scrubs.

CT: What is your favorite thing about GW?
KC: Friends, friends and friends. They make my world.





TOP TEN COUNTRIES STUDENTS CAME FROM



Canada



China



India



Japan



The Republic of Korea



Pakistan



Saudi Arabia



Taiwan



Turkey



United Kingdom





BEWARE THE SWINE!

GW battened down the hatches in preparation for the swine flu

A new craze swept campus in the fall of 2009 – the H1N1 flu strand, affectionately known as the swine flu. A handful of students contracted the illness in the spring of 2009, but with the return of students in the fall, the swine flu arrived with a vengeance, sending students and administrators scrambling to prepare.

After experiencing swine flu on a smaller scale at the end of the spring semester, GW administrators convened a campus-wide task force to respond to students' concerns. The task force focused on decreasing the spread of the virus and keeping the GW community healthy. "The health of our community is the main concern," Associate Director of Student Health Services Susan Haney said.

GW administrators placed hand sanitizer stations throughout campus, posted campus advisories regarding swine flu in every campus building and offered free flu clinics for the GW faculty, staff and students. Despite precautions, the University saw over 500 cases of flu-like illnesses by the middle of October.

To deal with the influx of ill students, Student Health Services advised the GW community against coming to their office when experiencing flu symptoms so as not to overload their office.

In fear of becoming the next victims, thousands attended flu shot clinics in the Marvin Center's Grand Ballroom and Ivory Tower's Community Room. Lines stretched down hallways and across sidewalks. According to Haney, GW had already administered 4,500 vaccines after just two clinics. As seasonal flu vaccine production slowed in favor of the swine flu vaccine, GWcould not obtain a second shipment of the regular vaccine and had to postpone the remaining flu clinics.

While being sick was a downer for some, others looked on the bright side. Those affected were only sick for a few days and were able to miss classes without a doctor's note. Who needed to cut class when you could just get the swine flu instead?

Andrew Elwell & Mina Miljevic



NATIONAL EQUALITY MARCH

Thousands gathered on the Mall to promote LGBT rights

Amidst colorful flags, T-shirts and signs, the National Equality March took participants from the White House to the U.S. Capitol on Oct. 11. As early morning clouds gave way to an afternoon rainbow, GW students joined thousands of gay rights supporters marching to the Capitol to show support for an exciting year for the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) Community during which five states legalized gay marriage.

The National Equality March was the first event of its kind dedicated to gay rights since 2000. Participants from across the county converged on Washington, D.C. to pressure the government to pay attention to their concerns. The excitement was palpable as GW students joined the crowds. Gay or straight, GW students held signs and chanted to support the LGBT community. Some walked to support friends, others themselves.

"It's really exciting to be a part of a movement that I think I will see the results of," junior Ricardo Muniz said.

GW groups such as Allied in Pride, College Democrats and Forbidden Planet Productions gathered to demonstrate support for the LGBT movement. Participants carried signs that proclaimed "Let the Gays be as Miserable as the Straights – Marriage Equality NOW" and "Silly me. I thought this was a free country." As they marched, some walkers yelled "Hey Hey! Ho Ho! Don't Ask, Don't Tell has got to go!"

Protestors were in full force to support marriage equality and the Employee Nondiscrimination Act. They marched to pressure the government to repeal the Defense of Marriage Act and Don't Ask, Don't Tell. Many thought of the march as a tipping point in securing the wants of the LGBT community.

Sponsored by Equality Across America, the march concluded with a rally on the West Lawn of the U.S. Capitol. Cynthia Nixon of "Sex and the City" and entertainer Lady Gaga spoke to the crowd at the rally.

Judy Shepard, whose son Matthew was killed in a violent crime because of his sexuality, also spoke before the cheering marchers. "We are all Americans," Shepard said. "We are



all equal Americans, gay, straight or whatever." An expanded hate crimes bill named for Matthew Shepard was passed days after the march in Washington and included protections for homosexual victims.

Later that evening, at the Human Rights Campaign Dinner, President Barack Obama became the second President to deliver the keynote address at the event, where he reaffirmed his commitment to equality and repealing Don't Ask, Don't Tell.

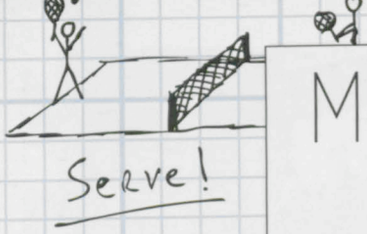
GW marched proudly with thousands of other supporters to put a spotlight on LGBT issues. It may have been just another walk in the District, but it was one that would make history and spark progress. **Andrew Elwell**



Capitol Concern
Participants converged on the West Lawn to listen to speakers after the march through D.C.



Speaking Out
Protesters gathered to express opinions and demonstrate support for matters concerning the LGBT community.



MISSION: SERVE

Michelle Obama and Jill Biden addressed the GW community

First Lady Michelle Obama and Second Lady Dr. Jill Biden joined the GW community in honoring veterans for their service to the country on Veterans Day. The women spoke in Lisner Auditorium, supporting the launch of Mission Serve, an initiative of ServiceNation that bridged the gap between civilians and military communities through service.

On Nov. 11, Obama and Biden attracted a packed crowd to Lisner Auditorium as the GW community turned out to hear the two well-known women speak. Each speaker highlighted the significance of Veterans Day and encouraged the crowd to engage in service, especially acts aimed at helping military members and their families.

"There is a role for each and every one of us in supporting military families," Biden told the audience.

The First Lady took the podium to raucous cheers and a standing ovation. Calling out, "Go, GW!" Obama mentioned the service challenge she had issued over one month earlier. Just seven weeks into the challenge, GW had completed 20,000 community service hours on their way to 100,000 by May 1.

Obama spoke of the dedication of military personnel, not only during their time in the service, but as they immersed themselves in community service across America after their time overseas.

"For many of these folks, service is the air they breathe," Obama said. "They want to make their entire life a tour of duty."

Mrs. Obama reflected on her attendance at the memorial service for victims of the Fort Hood shooting that had occurred one week earlier. The First Lady mentioned the parents of victims she had spoken to and recognized their sons and daughters and the exceptional service they had given to the country.

A leader in the D.C. area for its dedication to student veterans, GW held several events to recognize those who served our country. The day included a wreath-laying in the Marvin Center's Great Hall, a care package assembling event to support veterans and their families and the presentation of Alma Powell, wife of former Secretary of State Colin Powell, with the inaugural ServiceNation Award for Excellence in Military and Civilian Service.

At a time when the President was rethinking strategies in Afghanistan and Iraq, GW paused in the midst of classes, midterms and papers to recognize those who had given service to their country. For GW, Veterans Day was another chance to engage in service and give back to those who sacrificed the most. **Andrew Elwell**



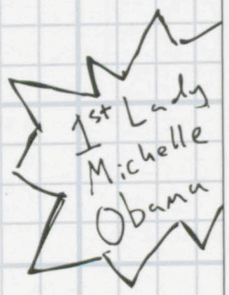
Facts:

- Jill Biden was the first Second Lady to hold a paying job while her husband was Vice President.

- Michelle Obama was the third First Lady with a postgraduate degree, after Hillary Clinton and Laura Bush. She obtained her law degree from Harvard University.

- Michelle Obama was the 45th First Lady.

- Veterans Day falls on Nov. 11, the anniversary of the signing of the Armistice that ended World War I.



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"MY GOODNESS GRACIOUS, YOU HAVE A LOT OF ENERGY TONIGHT... I LOVE YOU."

Adam Levine, Lead Singer - Maroon 5



SHE WILL BE LOVED

Students filled the Smith Center to see Maroon 5 perform

On a cold Friday night in November, Maroon 5 heated up the Smith Center. The concert, sponsored by Program Board, featured the band popular for songs such as "This Love" and "She Will Be Loved."

Students encircled the Smith Center waiting to get the best seats. Opening act Fitz and The Tantrums came onstage at 9 p.m. and performed songs with funky, upbeat sounds like "Breakin' the Chains of Love" and "Don't Gotta Work It Out." By the time Fitz and the Tantrums finished their set, students were tightly packed in the gymnasium, anticipating the arrival of the main act.

Opening with their first breakout hit, "Harder to Breathe," Maroon 5 had the crowd on their feet. Bleachers shook as students in the upper sections of the arena danced along to the beat.

The band performed for over an hour and included a new song, "Last Chance," from their forthcoming album. Levine took the time to chat with the audience between songs, even having audience members hold his water and wait for his cue to throw it back to him. After three failed attempts, one audience member finally managed to toss the water bottle to Levine.

The group also covered Alicia Keys' "If I Ain't Got You," transitioning into Pink Floyd's "Brick in the Wall (Part 2)." The crowd screamed and yelled as Maroon 5 performed song after song, ending over an hour and a half after their first song. **Andrew Elwell**


"IT'S AWESOME... I LOVE LOOKING AT ALL THE DIFFERENT COSTUMES."
Stephanie Mogli, Sophomore
CASH 4
Washington, D.C.
STIMULATE MY



OFF TO THE RACES

Drag queens competed for glory at the High Heel race

The only place to catch a glimpse of Marilyn Monroe, the "Octo-Mom," Cruella de Vil, Madonna and the Wicked Witch of the West in a race down 17th Street was the 24th Annual High Heel Race in Dupont Circle. Dozens of drag queens dressed in their most creative and outrageous outfits challenged each other in a short footrace after competing for the crowd's attention.

On Oct. 27, GW students intermingled with locals and tourists under umbrellas, lining 17th Street to watch the divas show off their flashy costumes. As rain poured down, crowds poured onto the street, trying to get a good view of the pre-race pageant. Enthusiasts stood on tiptoes, peering over and around as they tried to get a good look at the array of sights on display. Those who came early enough to get a front row seat got quite a show.

Mermaids, dominatrixes, famous movie characters and sexy nurses stole the spotlight, but, like any good D.C. event, the race offered a dose of politics. Two racers held car rims with a sign reading "Cash for Clunkers" and another parodied Obama's stimulus package, while a third dressed as a Washington Monument waving a rainbow flag.

When the race began, the queens sprinted down the street in their heels, despite the slippery conditions. The impassioned audience cheered loudly as they flew past. After the race, participants showed off their costumes into the night. Onlookers crowded around to snap pictures with their favorite drag queens and hung out with the feather-toting participants in local bars.

"I'm so glad that I finally got to come this year," senior Vanessa Cancino said. "I've wanted to go the whole time I've been in D.C."

For many participants and viewers, the event was as much a Halloween tradition as was trick-or-treating. "This was my second year going," Mogil said. "I'll definitely be back again next year."

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TEN BIGGEST CHANGES

to Foggy Bottom

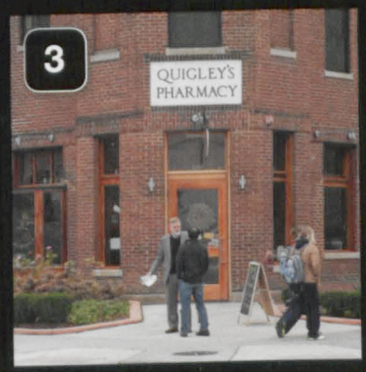
Four years at GW brought a lot of changes to GW's campuses. Here were the highlights for the Class of 2010:

1) Square 54 - For a long time, Square 54 was known as "the large hole in the ground next to the hospital." Earmarked for completion in 2011, Square 54 would have retail, residential and office uses. The large undertaking began to take shape during the 2009-2010 academic year as the foundation was laid and several stories were constructed.













2) South Hall - Many in the Class of 2010 had the opportunity to spend a year in South Hall, the newest addition to GW's housing options. This environmentally friendly dorm opened in fall 2009, housing strictly seniors in quads with single bedroom units.

3) Tonic - Good for what ails you, the former Quigley's Pharmacy re-opened as a new eatery on campus in mid-2007. Students took advantage of its perfect location and relaxed atmosphere, finding comfort in Tater Tots, Mac & Cheese and the other scrumptious options on Tonic's menu.

4) Monroe Hall and the Hall of Government - Beginning in May 2006, construction on Monroe Hall and the Hall of Government transformed and modernized the building. The building, which housed the Speech and Hearing Clinic as well as the economics, math and political science departments, was completed in Fall 2007.

5) 1925 F Street - Formerly the Alumni House, the building was converted to a home for President Knapp in 2008. The renovations were mainly internal, but also included the addition of a garage. The refurbished first floor was used as public meeting space, while Knapp and his wife Diane called the upstairs home.

6) School Without Walls - The refurbished building provided modernized classrooms and added space to one of the best high schools in the District, with the minor downside that GW students had to cope with longer lines for Wendy's at lunchtime when School Without Walls students returned to campus in fall 2009.

7) Smith Center - GW's main athletic facility got a makeover in 2009. For the 2009-2010 basketball season, the Smith Center boasted an upgraded arena, a new academic center, an updated aquatics center, new locker rooms for student athletes and renovated club and meeting rooms. Renovations would continue on the building until 2011.

8) Pelham Hall - This staple of the Mount Vernon Campus was torn down in 2008 and rebuilt as a residence hall for 287 students. The building, which would be completed by fall 2010, would include dining facilities, student performance and practice space and student meeting rooms.

9) The Aston - A former undergraduate residence hall for GW seniors, the building was remodeled in 2007.The Aston transitioned into a residence strictly for GW law students.

10) Potomac Hall - The brand new residence hall opened in fall 2006 for first-year students. Sharing double suites, the freshman population who had the first opportunity to live there reveled in the clean facilities and fantastic location. Those placed there again the following year as sophomores were, however, not so thrilled. **Andrew Elwell**



MIDNIGHT MADNESS

Midnight Breakfast provided a break before finals

GW students poured into the Marvin Center to fuel up on food and take a break from studying for finals at the Annual Midnight Breakfast on Dec. 8. Freshmen, sophomores, juniors and seniors alike stood in line for food, participated in games and relaxed with friends on all floors of the Marvin Center.

The theme of the 2009 Midnight Breakfast was "Come Get Schooled." GW staff and faculty handing out class schedules greeted students entering the Marvin Center. Listing items like homeroom, social studies, math and science, students' schedules directed them to activities such as Make-Your-Own Ice Cream, a spelling bee and finger painting. Students could have their picture taken with the GW Hippo or enjoy student performances from GW Ballroom, Capital Funk and Aatash.

In the Continental Ballroom, students finally had the chance to prove that they knew more than their professors in "Are You Smarter Than a Professor?" The competition was modeled after the popular game show "Are You Smarter Than a Fifth Grader?" and pitted students against professors, giving away GWorld money to those students who could prove their merit and beat their professors.

Midnight Breakfast offered university

faculty and staff the opportunity to serve students in a new and innovative way. Staff served food to attendees. President Knapp himself rolled up his sleeves, piling servings of eggs, sausage, hash browns and French toast on students' plates.

"I love Midnight Breakfast," senior Emily Winter said. "It's a nice break from finals."

Junior Krystal Brun agreed. "It's so fun for so many people to be in the Marvin Center at one time," she said. "I love it!"

Andrew Elwell





GETTING AROUND TOWN

Students took advantage of various transportation modes

D.C. was a major metropolitan city with plenty to offer, and GW students used several modes of transportation to take full advantage. Made up of distinct neighborhoods, Washington had plenty of streets, shops and restaurants to explore. With a swipe of your SmarTrip card or a call to 4Ride, the District was an open book to those with an apetite for adventure. **Andrew Elwell**

BUS

The bus system remained a mystery to many GW students, but some took advantage of the routes to avoid Metro crowds on the way to their destinations. Whether heading downtown on the Circulator or traveling one of the many other lines that criss-crossed the city, the buses offered a unique view of the District to riders.



TAXI

When the Metro stopped running at 2 a.m., taxis became the go-to method of transportation. It wasn't unusual to see GW students piling into a cab for a night on the town. An easy way to and from clubs and bars late at night, taxis switched from the zone system to the meter system in 2008, which stabilized taxi fares for students.



METRORAIL

The Metro served as the gateway to the city and the surrounding metropolitan area. Students hopped on at the Foggy Bottom – GWU Metro stop and headed to art museums, the Smithsonian Institute and historic neighborhoods throughout the city. Students could often be seen rushing to catch the last train on the way to their internship on the Hill during rush hour.

BIKE

For GW students looking to save a few dollars or curb the impact on the environment, bikes were a quick and easy alternative. Bikers weren't slowed down by track maintenance on the Metro or delayed buses. Whether for a leisurely jaunt around the monuments or a race to a meeting, bikes offered a quick, environmentally friendly option.



4RIDE

Needed to get to McFadden's, but too much rain? The University Police Department offered the 4Ride service to transport students safely around campus at night, but many students used it as a chauffeur service, willing to be on hold as long as it took in order to avoid a walk.





WELCOMING A NEW DECADE

Welcome Back Week got the spring semester off to a great start

The year 2010 brought the opportunity for fresh starts. As the year began, students returned to GW ready for another semester of work and fun. Welcome Back Week offered plenty of activities to help students ease into the new semester.

Welcome Back Week had an eventful start when the men's basketball team faced off against Atlantic-10 rival Xavier on Jan. 10. Despite leading for a majority of the game, the Colonials fell to the Musketeers. Later in the evening, many students headed to Showtime Sunday at Tonic, where students snacked on wings and tater tots while watching student performances. Others watched the Arizona Cardinals and Green Bay Packers battle it out in the NFL wild card playoff game.

For the class of 2010, the semester's start was bittersweet as students slowly began to realize their time at GW was coming to an end. On Monday at the Alumni House, many members of the class of 2010 attended the Senior Breakfast, which was sponsored by the Senior Class Gift Committee to celebrate the last first day of classes for the senior class.

"I think it is going to be awesome," senior Laura Maas said about her final semester at GW. "I'm apprehensive about graduating, but I think the semester will be one to remember."

Welcome Back Week offered a variety of events for students looking to catch up with old friends or meet new ones. Some students attended Get Cozy at Cosi where they enjoyed free s'mores. Co-sponsored by Mount Vernon Campus Life and Colonial NightCap, the event reserved the Cosi on 19th and M. Streets strictly for GW students to enjoy.

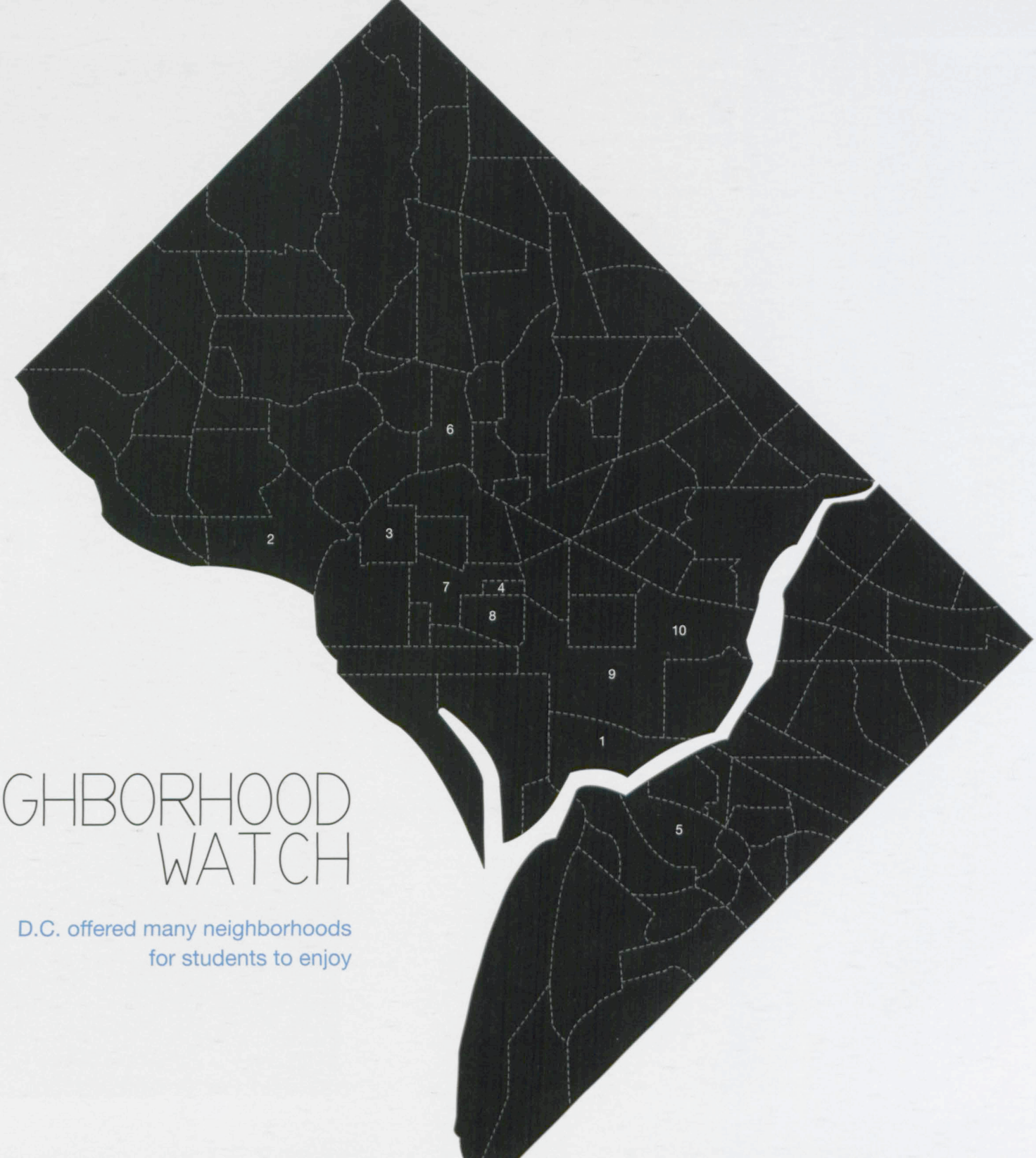
Other students attempted to shake off the mid-week doldrums with Class Council's Beat the Winter Blues event. Class Council members handed out blue Kool-Aid and candy to students passing through Kogan Plaza on their way to class.

"Beat the Winter Blues provided a venue for elected class representatives to interact and reach out to all students on campus," Class Council President Ashley Starks said.

As GW began a new semester and a new decade arrived, Welcome Back Week made sure that students felt at home once again at GW.

Andrew Elwell





NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

D.C. offered many neighborhoods
for students to enjoy

1) Navy Yard - GW students looking to enjoy America's favorite pastime made the trip to the Navy Yard neighborhood, which was home to Nationals Stadium.

2) Georgetown - Georgetown was a nearby distraction for students throughout their time at GW, whether they were shopping or bar hopping on M Street.

3) Dupont - Students often walked to Dupont to enjoy dessert at Kramerbooks or have a drink at The Front Page.

4) Chinatown - Home to the Verizon Center and a variety of restaurants and bars, Chinatown was a popular Friday night destination.

5) Anacostia - Although it was a neighborhood ridden with high crime rates, many students volunteered in Anacostia, especially at local grade schools.

6) Columbia Heights - With the only metro accessible Target, Best Buy and Bed, Bath & Beyond, Columbia Heights was a destination for students looking to stock up on much needed supplies for their residence halls.

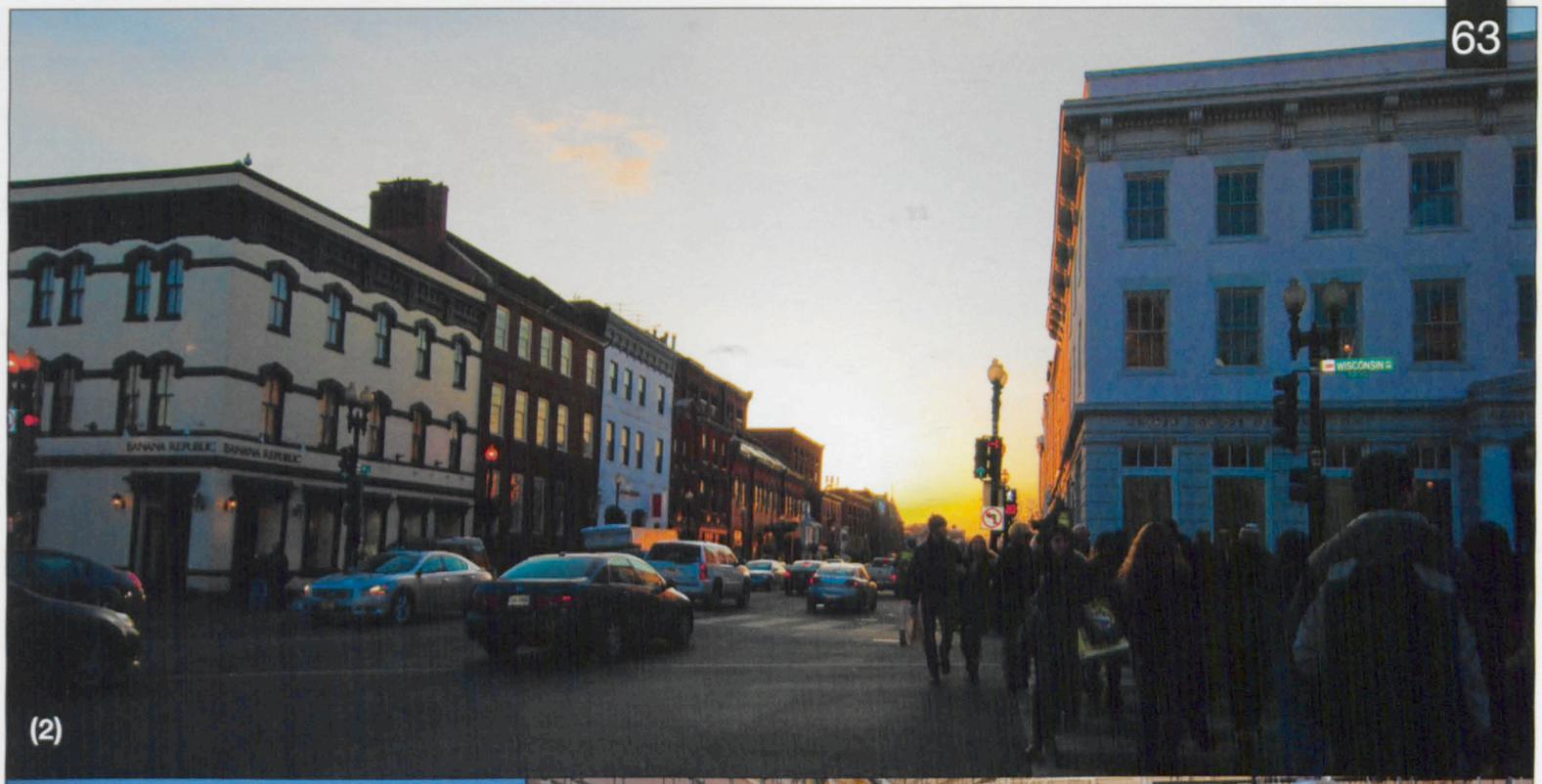
7) Downtown - Dominated by commercial and government buildings, downtown D.C. also included a variety of parks and squares that offered some green space to enjoy on a warm day. The annual Cherry Blossom Festival brought thousands of tourists to the city to enjoy the sights.

8) Penn Quarter - A popular destination for many GW students, Penn Quarter was home to such favorites as the International Spy Museum and the National Portrait Gallery.

9) Capitol Hill - This cute neighborhood lay in the shadow of the nation's Capitol building. Its maze of streets was a nice place to wander on a spring day in the District.

10) Eastern Market - This hotspot offered an easy getaway from the Foggy Bottom campus. Students browsed exotic goods and sampled cuisine from around the world as they enjoyed the sights and sounds Eastern Market.

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REPRESENT!

GW's best dance groups battled for glory

On Jan. 15, five GW dance groups brought the heat to a packed Lisner Auditorium as they competed for the title of Best GW Dance Group at the Second Annual Represent: Battle of GW's Dance Groups.

The event, sponsored by Class Council, gave each group the stage for eight minutes to show the judges their stuff. The judges scored the groups on their content, choreography, talent, artistry and overall presentation. The 2010 judges were SAC employee Joan Mitchell, GW alumnus Jennifer Caulk and Theater and Dance Department chair Dana Tai Soon Burgess.

The near-full auditorium was greeted by emcees Jessi Gordon and Chris Pappas, who welcomed the audience to the event and introduced the groups. Members of the GW Greek Community performed a short dance to get the event started.

Aatash began the competition with a fusion of Persian dance choreographed to a mix of Arabic, Turkish and hip-hop music. GW Raas followed Aatash. Dressed in colorful green and pink outfits, GW Raas dazzled the crowd with their high energy performance. GW Banghra, one of the oldest performing arts groups at GW, performed after GW Raas. In their 17th year on campus, GW Banghra showed off their moves, even adding their own version of the Cupid Shuffle to end the performance.

Capital Funk, GW's hip-hop dance group, drew a chorus of cheers from the audience throughout their performance. The ballet group GW Balance was the last to take the stage, performing to a mix of songs, including Jordin Sparks' "Battlefield."

While the judges deliberated, a representative from each team competed in a solo competition to win a free iPod. As the judges returned to the stage, the dance groups sat in anticipation. After a short wait, the judges announced GW Raas as GW's Best Dance Group.

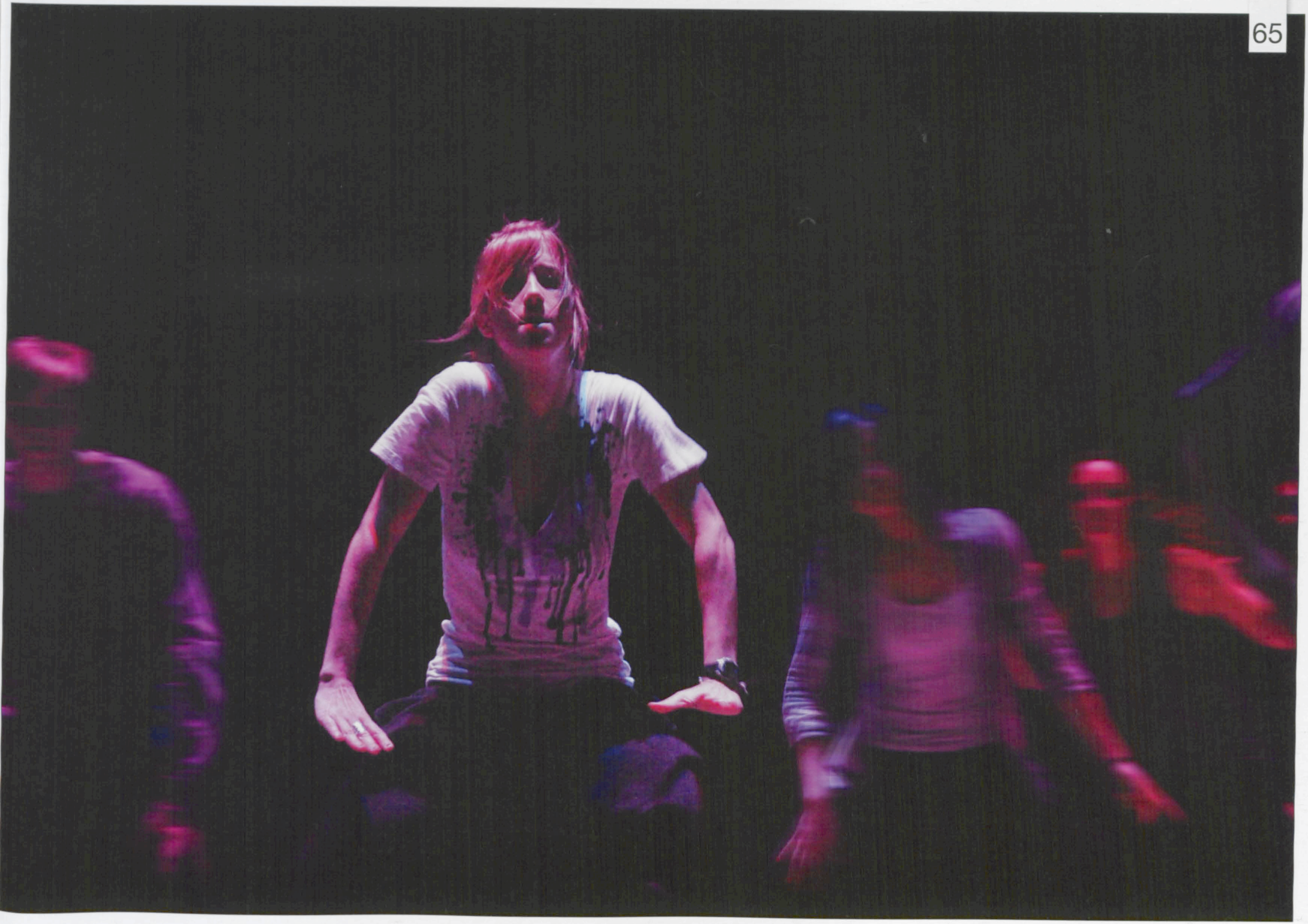
"It was really unexpected," senior GW Raas member Radhika Vora said. "We worked really hard for it."

Capital Funk was also named the winner of Best Choreography and Best Presentation. Lisner Auditorium erupted as the winners were named at the end of an entertaining competition.

Class Council President Ashley Starks thought the event was a great finale to Welcome Back Week. "The crowd really got into it," she said. "It was great to see Lisner filled and the students supporting everyone."

Andrew Elwell





LENDING A HELPING HAND

GW offered assistance to Haiti after a massive earthquake

When a 7.0 magnitude earthquake struck Haiti on Jan. 12, killing hundreds of thousands of Haitians, the GW community wasted no time in offering support.

While no GW students or faculty members were in Haiti during the earthquake, many members of the community traveled to the devastated nation to provide assistance. They worked on the ground in Haiti to relieve earthquake victims and break down communication barriers. Days after the earthquake, administrators, students and faculty came together to coordinate fundraising plans to support relief efforts in Haiti at a town hall meeting in the Marvin Center. The meeting offered the opportunity for the GW community to brainstorm ways to help Haitians affected by the disaster.

In the week following the devastating earthquake, the university offered a variety of events for GW students, faculty and staff to demonstrate their support for the Haitians. A candlelight vigil, clothing drive, letter-writing event and fundraising party were held to gather donations.

The university offered GW community members the ability to help Haitians by swiping their GWorld at five different locations on GW's three campuses. The campaign raised over $6,000 for the American Red Cross and Project Medishare. Other students texted "HAITI" to donate $10 to the American Red Cross's national campaign to raise funds.

GW's Caribbean Student Association played an active role in supporting efforts in Haiti. With many members of Haitian descent, the CSA worked with other student groups on campus to organize GW Hands for Haiti, a campaign to raise funds to help those affected by the earthquake. The group was one of the key student organizations collaborating to raise funds and awareness.

"This disaster has had a big impact on our organization and we will continue to do whatever necessary to lend our support to the Haitian people," CSA member and senior Diandra Hayban said. **Andrew Elwell**








ONE
WAY

THE WEATHER OUTSIDE IS FRIGHTFUL

A record snowfall blanketed the District

Not many students paid attention when Punxsutawney Phil saw his shadow on Groundhog Day, indicating there were six weeks of winter left to come. Just three days later, when Washington, D.C. was buried under feet of fluffy white snow, the infamous groundhog's prediction seemed more significant.

The first wave of snow delivered more than two feet of snow during the first weekend of February. Students walked down the middle of streets, built snowmen on the National Mall and started snowball fights, as GW Facilities employees attempted to shovel sidewalks. Just as the massive dig-out was underway, more snow arrived. Blizzard-like conditions dumped another foot of snow on the city starting Feb. 9.

With the Metro system disabled, the university was forced to cancel classes between Feb. 5 and Feb. 11. The university reopened on Feb. 12, but the "snow week," as many termed it, provided a relaxing respite prior to the arrival of midterms. Later, the university announced it would hold make-up days at the end of the year.

Students took to their favorite social media sites to express their awe of the snow. "Snowmageddon", "snowpocalypse" and "snomg" were favorite terms to describe the District's massive snowfall. Later, as cabin fever set in, "snoverit" also became a popular saying.

The university worked quickly to provide a variety of activities to students throughout the week in designated "Warm Zones." Movie marathons in the Fishbowl, free classes at the Lerner Health and Wellness Center and free food giveaways were some of the events planned to keep students occupied. GW House Staff provided opportunities for students to gather with their floormates for movies, food and laughter.

"With food and my bed in the same building, I never really had a reason to leave," junior Kim Wollner said. "I was able to catch up on work as well as enjoy the company of friends without the pressures of what we had to do the next day."

Other students ventured out to enjoy the historic snowfall. On Feb. 10, over 200 GW students took part in an epic snowball fight against cross-town rival Georgetown University. Adventurous Colonials battled the Hoyas and made quick work of their opponent, forcing them to retreat back to their campus in about half an hour. Even President Knapp joined in the fun, tossing snowballs and declaring the next day's classes canceled after GW's victory.

"It was great to see the school spirit during the snowball fight among the student and President and Mrs. Knapp," Wollner said of the fight.

Some students took the opportunity to give back. On Feb. 11, the GW Student Association sponsored the Foggy Bottom Dig Out. Members of the GW community met in Kogan Plaza and spent the afternoon shoveling sidewalks for their Foggy Bottom neighbors.

While the historic snowfall put life on hold in the District, it was an unforgettable experience for GW students. For a city accustomed to minimal snowfall, the historic season turned the district into a "winter wonderland." **Andrew Elwell**

ALL THE PRESIDENT'S MEN

GW students voted for their Studen Association leadership

While GW thawed from its harsh winter, things were heating up as students competed in elections for the 2010-2011 Student Association. Juniors Jason Lifton and Xochitil Sanchez battled it out for SA President, while juniors John Binetti, Logan Dobson, Rob Maxim and sophomore Josh Goldstein fought for Executive Vice President. Dozens of other spirited students campaigned for positions in the SA Senate, Program Board, Marvin Center Governing Board and Class Council.

Election season kicked off early one Friday morning in March as candidates and their supporters raced across campus to find the best real estate for campaign posters. Students honed in on a strategy and jockeyed their way to display their posters in high traffic areas like the Marvin Center and Academic Center.

Postering was just part of the campaign strategy used by SA candidates. Candidates made their own Web sites, created Facebook groups and tweeted in an effort to get their name out to the student body.

"My strategy really centered around the idea of getting my name out there and making sure that people remembered to vote," Lifton said. "Come election time, most students won't vote unless you prompt them to, so it's all about getting your foot in the door with someone and making sure that on Election Day, they remember to vote."

On Feb. 24 and 25, supporters across campus urged students walking to class to vote in the SA elections. After two days of intense campaigning, students gathered in the Marvin Center to hear the results of the elections. After a tense wait, the Joint Elections Committee announced Lifton as the new SA President. With no student gaining a majority in the EVP race, Dobson and Maxim were headed to a runoff two weeks later.

"When the chairman of the JEC, Jake Chervinsky, said my name I was ecstatic," Lifton said. "My friends, fraternity brothers and all of my supporters were there, lifting me on their shoulders. It was incredible."

Two weeks later, a much more subdued runoff election took place between Dobson and Maxim. Once again, the candidates hit the pavement, trying to convince voters to support their candidacy. After two days of campaigning, Maxim won the seat for EVP in the runoff election.

The 2010 SA election wasn't completely somber. Joke candidate Steve Holt ran as a write-in candidate. Posters cropped up across campus encouraging support for the TV character candidate. In a surprise twist to the campaign, on election night, the Joint Elections Committee announced that Holt had been elected to the Senior Class Council.

SA elections were a tradition on campus that brought out the best in the student body. For those young politicos looking to make a difference on campus, the Student Association provided the opportunity. With the election behind them Lifton and Maxim looked ahead to the next year, when they would represent and work for all students at GW. **Andrew Elwell**

2010-2011 SA Election Results:

SA President: Jason Lifton

SA Executive Vice-President: Rob Maxim

SA Senator, Undergraduate At-large: Chris Clark, Charlie Rybak

SA Senator, CCAS-U: Amanda Galonek, Sam Hoffman, Dylan F. Pyne, Jason Kaplan, Madiha Malik, Ted Costigan

SA Senator, ESIA-U: Travis Holler, Min Kyu Kim, John Bennett

SA Senator, SEAS-U: Zahin Hasan

SA Senator, School of Business-U: Cory Grever, Claire Brunner

SA Senator, SPHHS-U: Meredith Waters

PB Chair: Wes Callahan

PB Vice-Chair: Connor Currier

Marvin Center Governing Board Undergraduate Governor: Christopher Franzetti, Shawn Kelly, Kai Shaw, Gary Wong

Class Council Sophomore Representative (Class of 2013): Caroline Ayes, Ellen Nadeau, Lydia Roseman, Katrin Weitzmann, Diane Horn, Brittany Lee Garcia, Arsalan Ahmad

Class Council Junior Representative (Class of 2012): Scott Backer, Kimia Ramezani, Jonathan Read, Kai Shaw, Brian Teubner, Rodrigo Tranami, Andreas Shambilides

Class Council Senior Representative (Class of 2011): Richard Alexander, Lisa Hartland, Ari Kasper, Ricardo Muniz, Kadin Nazkani, Rachel Sussman, Steve Holt


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FLINGIN' IN SPRING

State Radio entertained GW at Fountain Fling

Although inclement weather forced events inside, students enjoyed a successful and eventful Fountain Fling on the Mount Vernon campus on April 23. For the second year in a row, Fountain Fling served as a combination of the previously held Spring Fling and Fountain Fest events.

Fountain Fling featured a performance by alternative rock band State Radio. The Boston-based trio included a former member of the band Dispatch. State Radio performed to an intimate crowd in the Lloyd Gym.

"This was my first time at Fountain Fling and I thought it was fun and relaxing," senior Christopher Smith said.

Students from the Mount Vernon and Foggy Bottom campuses came together to celebrate spring in spite of the weather. The event was held in Lloyd Gym and the adjacent parking garage. Attendees munched on hot dogs, hamburgers and veggie burgers, while others ate popcorn and cotton candy or enjoyed ice cream. Free shirts were provided to all those came to Fountain Fling, which were then tie-dyed. Students gathered around buckets of dye to create bright, colorful creations.

Attendees could take part in arts and crafts, such as henna tattoos and papier-mâché candleholders. A few daring souls attempted to ride the mechanical bull.

Fountain Fling served as a stop on the State Radio Save My Oceans Tour, which encouraged students to reduce their use of plastic bags and advocated against pollution and global warming. A man dressed entirely in plastic bags greeted students as they entered the Lloyd Gym, encouraging them to sign the group's pledge before heading inside.

The State Radio performance was the perfect end to a relaxing day on the Mount Vernon campus. The weather may not have reflected it, but as student's danced and enjoyed the band, spring was definitely in the air on campus. **Andrew Elwell**



NOT YOUR AVERAGE RELAY

Students walked to raise money for cancer

About 900 students raised $65,000 dollars for the American Cancer Society at GW's Relay for Life on April 10. Held in Lerner Health and Wellness Center, the fundraiser exceeded expectations, raising $15,000 more than the event did in the previous year.

GW's Relay for Life was one of hundreds held across the country as part of the American Cancer Society's flagship fundraising event. Between 7 p.m. and 7 a.m., GW students walked the indoor track of the Lerner Health and Wellness Center to support those affected by cancer. One person from each team was required to be on the track at all times. In an effort to raise awareness and funds, teams spent 12 hours in Lerner Health and Wellness Center as team members walked.

Teams of 15 students representing a variety of groups on campus camped out on the basketball courts below the suspended track. There, they socialized, relaxed and slept as they took breaks from walking.

"I had actually never done Relay before, but the event went really well," freshman and Alpha Kappa Psi team captain Mark Buente said. "The Relay Committee did a really awesome job organizing everyone's efforts to raise over $60,000 for the American Cancer Society."

Throughout the night, spirited events were held to keep students engaged and awake. Participants dressed in costumes and enjoyed live music as they walked. During a poignant moment in the night, luminaria were lit to honor those who lost their battle with cancer and those still fighting as participants took part in a moment of silence.

"The number of people who actively participated and raised money was incredible to see," Program Board Community Service Co-Chair Brenda Tobin said. "Cancer is something that touches the lives of so many people, so it is a wonderful thing to be able to put on an event that creates such a sense of community and support."

As the sun came up Sunday morning, participants took their last laps around the track and packed up their things after a long night of fun and awareness. **Andrew Elwell**




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IN FULL BLOOM

The District celebrated the annual National Cherry Blossom Festival

After a rough winter during which the District saw an unusual amount of snow, GW students were thrilled to enjoy a break in the extreme weather for two weeks during the annual National Cherry Blossom Festival.

The National Cherry Blossom Festival—held each year in honor of the gift of 3,000 Japanese cherry trees from the mayor of Tokyo to the nation's capital in 1912— featured performances and events that attracted not only GW students looking for a break from studying, but tourists from across the world, as well. Thousands wandered along the Tidal Basin to experience the beauty of the cherry trees beside national landmarks.

Planned to coincide with the peak blossoming period, which occurred on March 31, the festival offered attendees a variety of opportunities to enjoy the District and its history. Whether it was fireworks on the Southwest waterfront or watching floats pass by in the annual Cherry Blossom Parade, the festival captivated visitors.

The festival ended with the annual Cherry Blossom Ten Mile Run on April 11. The route took competitors past the Jefferson Memorial, across the bridge to Arlington, Va. and through East Potomac Park. Spectators cheered on participants as they crossed the finish line in front of the Washington Monument.

"We had perfect weather for the race," senior Julie DeMareo, who participated in the Cherry Blossom Run alongside family and friends, said. "The course gives you a great view of our nation's most significant monuments and the expanse of the Tidal Basin."

"I was happy to feel my feet again," senior Sonya Naganathan said after she crossed the finish line. Naganathan, an avid runner, trained for months for the event.

Whether just wandering around the Tidal Basin or exploring culture through music and dance at the Sylvan Theatre on the grounds of the Washington Monument, students, residents and tourists enjoyed another successful National Cherry Blossom Festival in the nation's capital. **Andrew Elwell**



PITCH PERFECT

Acappella groups ended the year on a high note

About 900 students raised $65,000 dollars as hundreds of GW students watched seven a capella groups compete for the title of Best Overall Group at the annual Battle of the Acapella Groups in Lisner Auditorium on April 20. The GW Sirens took home the honor, while other groups were recognized for their talent and hard work.

The event featured each of GW's acapella groups, who performed three of their own songs along with their rendition of Lady Gaga's song "Telephone." Hosted by sophomore Natasha Dupee and senior Matt Avento, the event kicked off when the hosts performed Bad Romance to the cheers and catcalls of the audience.

"What's up my GW monsters?" Avento shouted to the crowd.

Voice Gospel Choir graced the stage first, sharing their uplifting voices with the audience. The group, founded just one year before, was performing in its first Battle competition. They began with a dialogue discussing why a choir was in an acapella competition before blowing away the crowd with their powerful vocals. The group's rendition of "Telephone" won the award for Best Rendition.

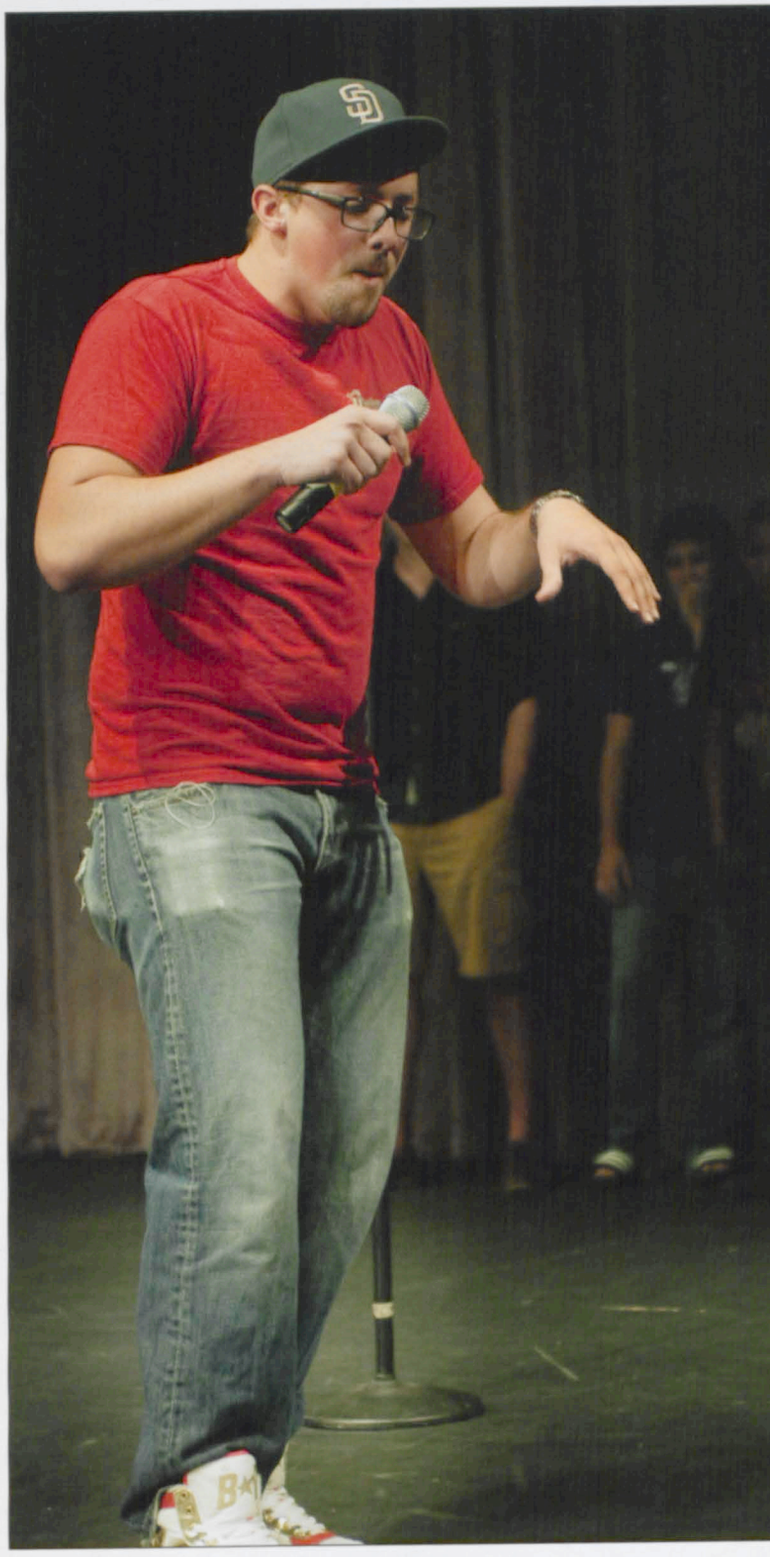
Battle also included a "Beat Off," that pitted beat boxers from each group against each other. Sophomore Matt Wilson took home the honor in that category after laying down the night's best beat.

The GW Troubadours won the Fan Favorite award and senior Rebecca Adelson of The Vibes won the Best Soloist award for her rendition of Sara Bareilles' "Gravity." When The Sirens were named Best Overall, the members, dressed alike in black dresses, flooded the stage to collect their $300 check.

"This just validates all the hard work that the girls have put in the past year," senior and musical director Liza Helfand said.

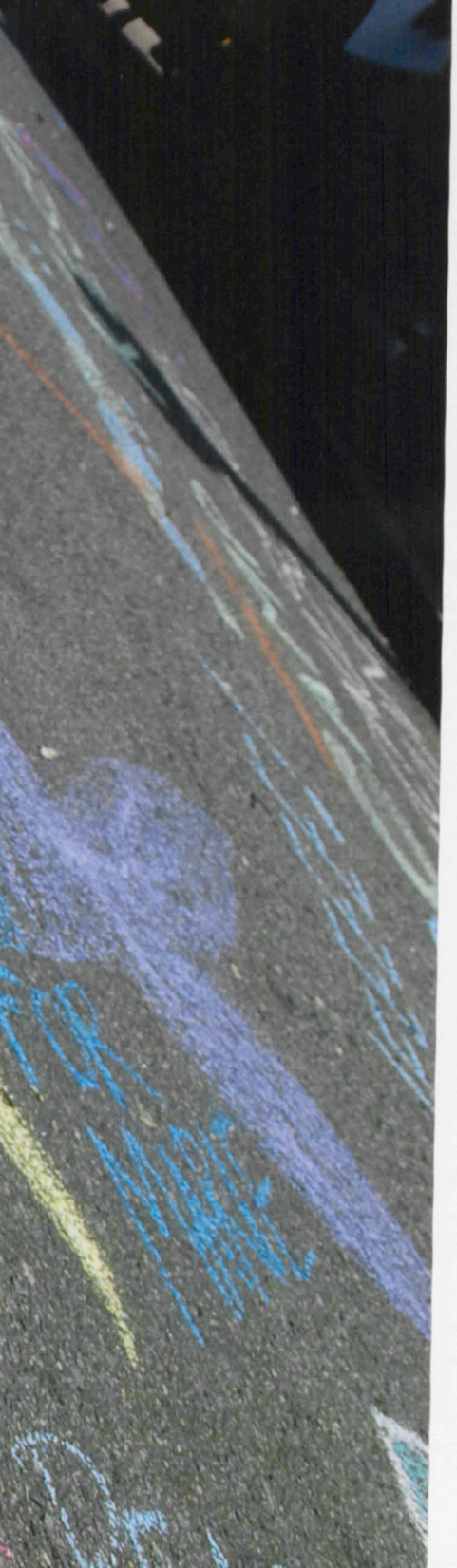
Senior member of The Sirens Jennifer Easton agreed. "We worked so hard to bring our best performance this year, and hearing our name announced as the overall winner was absolutely unreal," she said.

Students turned out in packs for the annual event put on by Class Council. As the audience filtered out of Lisner Auditorium after the event, it was clear that Battle of the A Capella Groups had brought out the best of GW's vocal talent. **Andrew Elwell**









CHALK IT UP

Students relieved stress on H street

Bright colors and beautiful art covered H Street at the university's annual Arts Fest and Chalk In on April 21. Celebrating its 30th year, the event was sponsored by the University Counseling Center and offered students the opportunity to relax by drawing on the street.

In a flashback to childhood, members of the student body filled the street in front of Gelman Library, taking a few minutes out of their day to add to the artwork. Students drew pictures of everything from butterflies to monkeys to flowers. Some wrote down phrases such as "Happy Earth Day" and "Have you done your homework?" Others promoted their student groups by drawing logos from their Greek organizations and extracurricular activities.

Chalk In was a tradition on Foggy Bottom's campus. Held on a beautiful spring day, students came out in great numbers to take a break from the stress of upcoming finals and papers. Students also had the opportunity to make other crafts at the festival, decorating frames and making their own personalized stress balls.

The event was held alongside the Program Board sponsored Art Festival in Kogan where free food was distributed. In celebration of Earth Day, organizations such as Green GW and GW Trails also used the events as a promotional opportunity.

For one day, H Street became a live bulletin board for the GW community. With the end of the year fast approaching, students relished the opportunity to leave their mark—however briefly— on the university. **Andrew Elwell**



LET'S GO FLY A KITE

The District celebrated the 44th Annual Smithsonian Kite Festival

In 1967, National Air and Space Museum founder Paul E. Garber organized the first Smithsonian Kite Festival. Over four decades later, the annual event was still one of the most popular springtime events in the District.

Hundreds of kites filled a clear blue sky on March 27 as thousands of people converged on the National Mall for the 44th Kite Festival. Kite enthusiasts of all ages scattered across the Mall to catch the wind and watch their kites take flight.

Kites of every size, shape and color were afloat in the sky by mid-afternoon. Dark, ominous dragons, a bright red squid and even an old-fashioned ship were some of the most creative designs piloted throughout the day. Children, teenagers and adults ran across the Mall trying to achieve liftoff and join the fun.

"The kite festival was awesome," junior David Dreeben said. "We had to be careful, when flying our kite, not to run over the loads of small children also taking part in the kite-flying, but that only made it more fun."

In one of the event's highlights, expert kite fliers engaged onlookers during spirited competitions. Mere steps away from the Washington Monument, participants competed in pairs, navigating their colorful kites in moves like cascades and loops before a captive audience.

Attendees also had opportunities during the festival to expand their own knowledge of kites. Participants could design their own kites. Others learned how to write their names in Japanese calligraphy. Some even made stingray kites sponsored by the National Aquarium.

Some crafty kite fliers competed in a homemade kite contest. The handmade kites had to be capable of flying at a minimum of 100 feet for more than one minute. The kites were then judged on their design, appearance, construction and performance. **Andrew Elwell**



PUT ON THOSE DANCING SHOES

Senior citizens looked their best at the Senior Prom

After reserving their spot on the guest list months in advance, D.C. senior citizens were ecstatic to attend the eighth annual Senior Prom. Senior Prom was a cross-cultural, intergenerational celebration of the lives and legacies of senior citizens from all eight wards of the district.

With approximately 200 senior citizens in attendance, the festivities started right on time at 3 p.m. on, Feb. 28. Attendees were given Mardi Gras beads as they listened to the Acappella group GW Troubadours perform uplifting songs, such as "Lean on Me." Since the theme of Senior Prom was "A Celebration of Mardi Gras," volunteers made sure that every senior citizen had a highly ornamented mask, as well.

"It's nice to see people from the community and be able to sing for them. It's our way of giving back," senior and GW Troubadours vocalist Matt Beck said.

Over 160 GW students joined the celebration, dancing and conversing with senior citizens from local retirement communities including St. Mary's Court, Emmaus Services for the Aging, We Are Family and Vinson Hall Retirement Community. It was the first Senior Prom for which GW's Office of Community Service reached out to veterans, which was evident from the many members of Vietnam Veterans of America who attended.

"It was really exciting to speak with these members of our community and get to learn about their experiences and the many accomplishments that they've had in their lives," senior Nicholas Profeta said. "Many of them told me that they have been coming to the event for years, and really look forward to it!"

GW students took the occasion to dance with senior citizens and learn some new moves.

"I will never forget the image of the senior citizens dancing to 'Single Ladies' in the Grand Ballroom wearing Mardi Gras beads," senior Sasha Belinkie said.

Many GW seniors participated in Senior Prom since it would be their last opportunity to make memories with senior citizens that would last a lifetime. Some students, like senior Susan DeMartino, were even asked to attend as someone's date.

"I volunteered at Senior Prom because it was my last chance this year," volunteer Marissa Moran explained. "I sat next to a woman who has lived in D.C. since 1939, and she told me she used to pay ten cents for a street car ride, way before Metro opened. Senior citizens are such a delight to be around." **Katelyn Payne**


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ANOTHER YEAR GONE BY

The year in pictures

Each day of the 2009-2010 academic year brought something new and exciting to campus. Living at the heart of the nation's capital made every day a special experience for the GW community. Politicians spoke on campus. Student theater groups performed countless shows. Dance groups showed off their best moves and acapella groups hit all the right notes. Here are some of the visual highlights of another eventful year in Foggy Bottom. **Andrew Elwell**







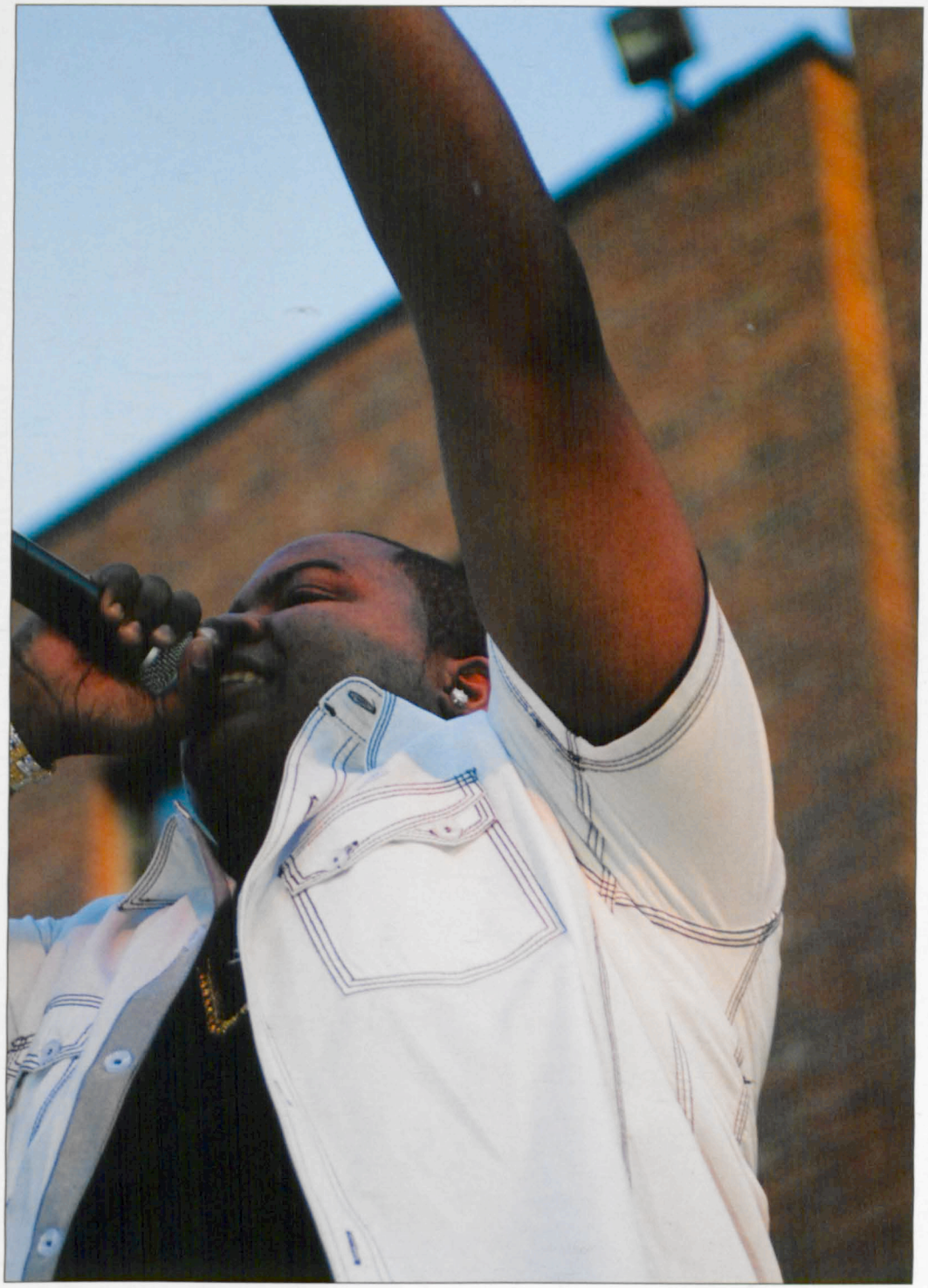





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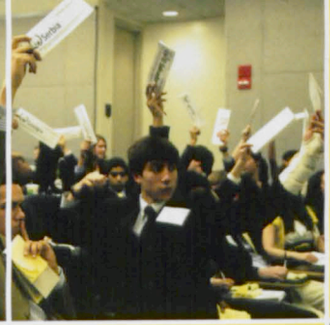
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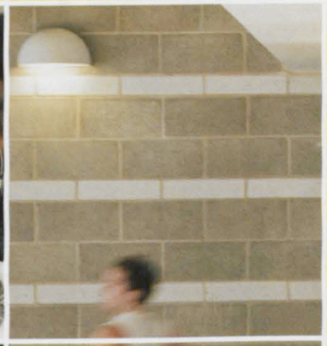




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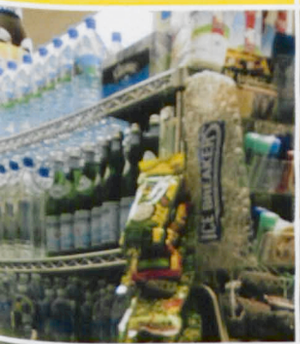








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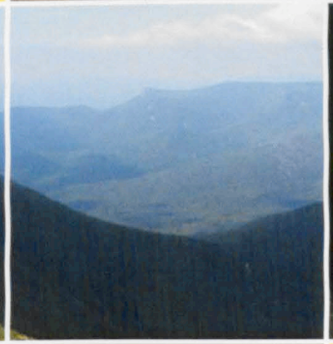










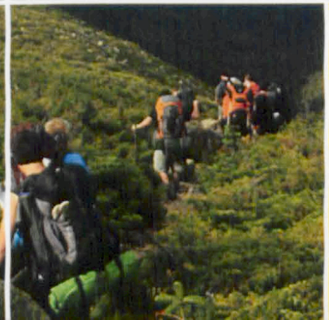




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QUIET ZONE
FIRST YEAR HALLS
"I didn't quite know what to expect... my family was a bit nervous about the whole process, so we were all out of the hotel and loaded into the car by 7:30 a.m."
Amar Dave, Freshman

ORGANIZED CHAOS

Students moved into their new homes

In one of the busiest days on campus, Move-In Day 2009 marked the start of the school year for thousands of new and returning GW students. During the last weekend of August, over 7,400 students and their parents descended upon the Foggy Bottom neighborhood, filling up hotels and restaurants as they prepared for the strenuous task of squeezing a year's worth of supplies into the often cramped rooms of GW residence halls.

On the morning of Aug. 29, many GW families were awake early in hopes of avoiding the large crowds expected later. Armed with nothing but their bare hands, parents and students began unloading their cars and hauling boxes into their new homes as early as 7 a.m.

The GW campus bustled with activity throughout the day. Cars packed so tightly that the street was visible only through their front windshields lined the university's streets. Students ran between Philip Amsterdam Hall and the Marvin Center as they picked up their room keys from the Key Depot and the ever-essential Resnet systems from the Connection Fair sponsored by Student Technology Services. Parents held back tears when they hugged their children goodbye. Students shared meals and caught up with old friends, enjoying the thrill of returning back to school.

Despite the dismal forecast of rain and scattered thunderstorms that prompted GW Housing Programs to send a mass e-mail reminding students to bring a tarp to keep their belongings dry, Move-In Day 2009 went off without a hitch. This success was thanks in part to one of the biggest volunteer staffs in GW history. Over 1,200 students arrived early to help ease the move-in process for their classmates. Whether it was directing traffic, working at the Key Depot or simply lending a hand to freshmen struggling to fit all their belongings into overcrowded blue carts, the volunteer corps proved a huge help to many.

"All things said and done, I was pleasantly surprised at how unproblematic Move-In Day was for me," freshman Amar Dave said. "It was definitely one of those quintessential college experiences that I'll remember for a long time to come." **Joseph Raser**

Top Ten Things Students Forgot On Move-In Day

1) iPhone charger

2) Blackberry charger

3) Dorm room posters

4) Textbooks

5) Toiletries

6) GW keychain

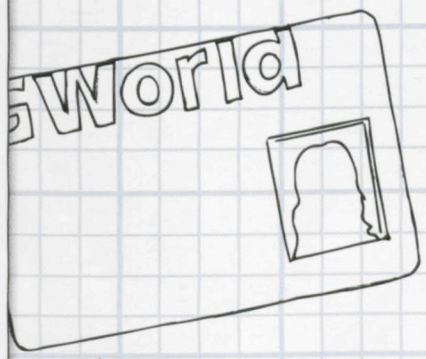
7) Pajamas

8) iPod Charger

9) Sunglasses

10) GWorld











COMMUNITY BUILDERS

GW House Staff served as residential resources

Marked by their decorated doors, bright yellow T-shirts and genial personalities, GW House Staffers were some of the most recognizable faces on campus. As House Proctors, Scholars and Mentors, the members of the GW Housing Programs worked throughout the year to provide students with a stellar residential experience.

During the 2009-2010 academic year, over 90 GW students worked as House Staffers in residence halls on both the Foggy Bottom and Mount Vernon campuses. Living among freshmen and sophomore populations allowed House Staffers frequent access and communication with their residents. A day in the life of a House Staffer was never dull.

"A typical day involves making sure that you start off your morning by collecting yourself and then thrusting yourself out into public where you must be ready at all times to engage other students," Mitchell House Proctor Brandon Mansur said. "It is important to always recognize that you are a leader who is under the microscope and that on any given day, a House Staffer must be able to handle a crisis situation or answer the questions or concerns of a resident."

Beyond the day-to-day operations of assisting GW students, House Staffers developed activities to facilitate a greater sense of community among their residents.

"Having the capacity to shape a community and to make some kind of impact on a student's life is quite a powerful thing," Guthridge House Scholar Katerina Girginova said.

Whether it was through potluck dinners in their rooms, attending a Capitols game with their residents, or organizing dorm-wide service projects, House Staffers made students feel more at home during their stay at GW.

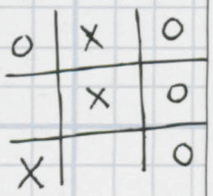
While the responsibilities of a House Staffer seemed daunting to some, the job ultimately proved to be rewarding for all those involved.

"I became interested in being a House Staffer because I knew I could make a difference in the lives of students on campus," Mansur said. "Meeting people, having a sense of purpose at GW, and gaining the respect of my peers while building new relationships with them at the same time made being a House Staffer an incredibly worthwhile experience."

Joseph Raser

HOME SWEET HOME

Top Ten Residence Halls



10) Thurston - Mabel Thurston Hall was the quintessential college dorm. With over 1,000 freshmen jammed into one building, nothing but good times rolled in Thurston.

9) Mitchell - For some, having a roommate was too much to handle. Singles in Mitchell Hall offered quiet floors and private rooms.

8) Somers - Somers was a haven for students on the Mount Vernon campus. Removed from the noise of downtown D.C., Somers' refurbished rooms appealed to many.

7) Potomac - Potomac House provided comfortable, modern doubles. The residence hall hosted freshmen interested in diplomacy and global perspectives.

6) West End - The hidden gem of sophomore housing, West End offered quads on down. With kitchens and private bathrooms, West End was a coveted sophomore residence.

5) The Dakota - Designed for independent living, Dakota offered sophomores and juniors amenities like dishwashers, private bathrooms and in-room washers and dryers.

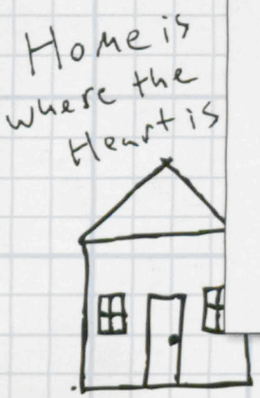
4) Amsterdam - Amsterdam Hall offered apartment-style living. With spacious kitchen and dining areas, along with bedroom suites, Amesterdam residents lived in elegance.

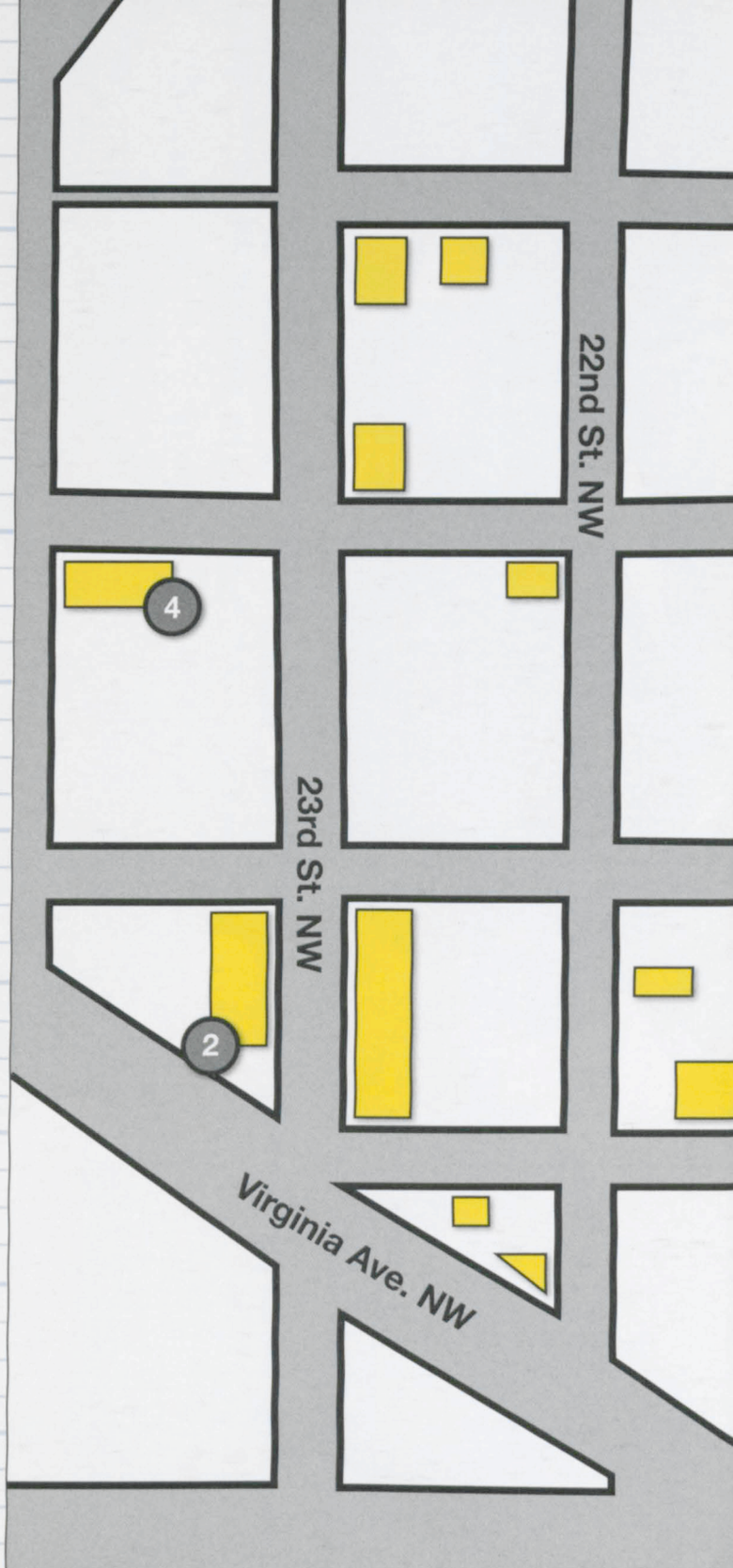
3) 1959 E Street - With a rooftop terrace and panoramic view of D.C., fully furnished kitchens and washer and dryer units, no complaints were made by the lucky few who resided here.

2) Ivory Tower - Ivory Tower had the perfect location in the heart of campus. With eateries and the Lerner Health and Wellness Center across the street, Ivory Tower topped many students' preference lists.

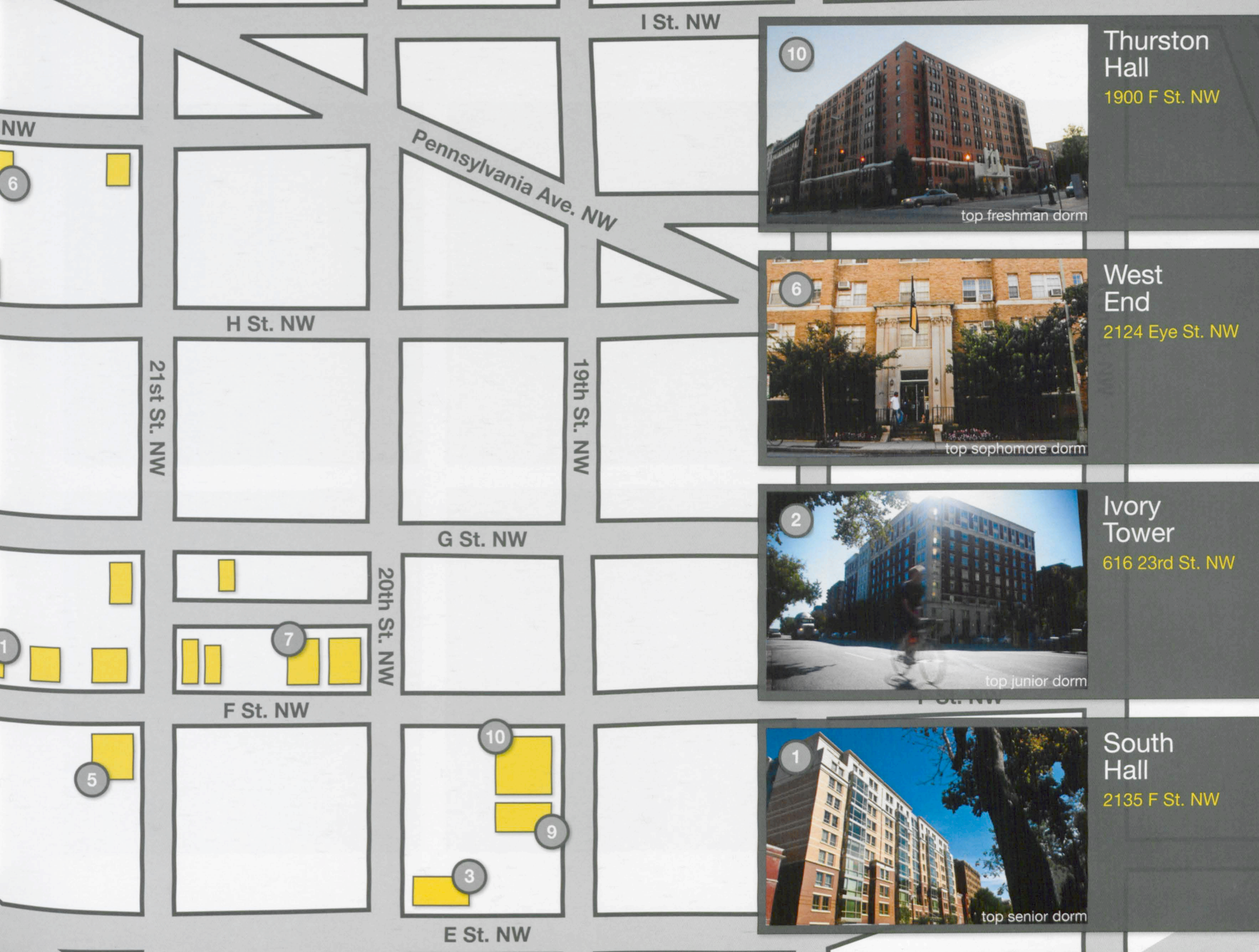
1) South Hall - With construction completed in the summer of 2009, South Hall's unique layout made it the best place to live on campus. With common areas equipped with floor-to-ceiling windows and private bedrooms, South Hall redefined dorm standards at GW.

Joseph Raser





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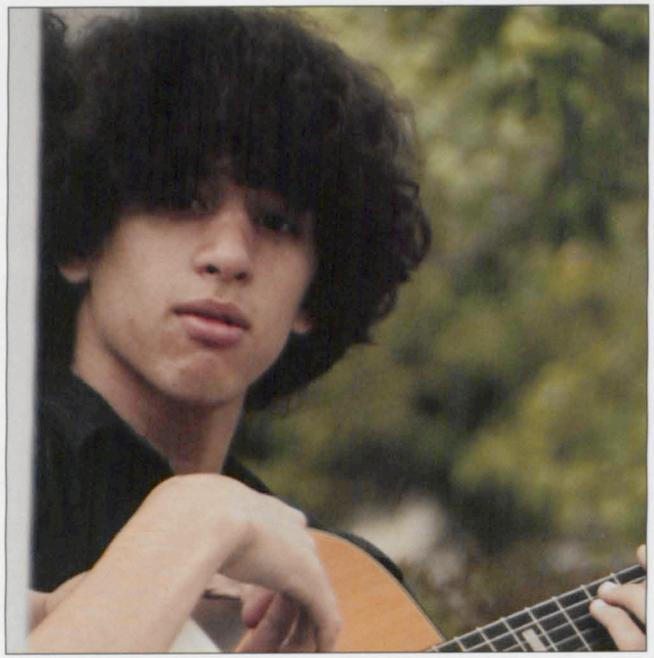
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HANGING OUT

Students relaxed across campus between classes

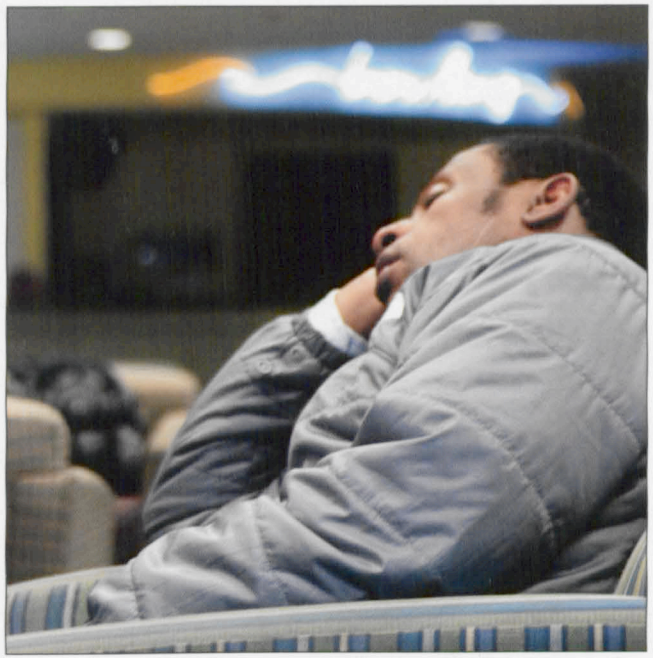
Kogan Plaza and University Yard served as GW's unofficial quads, providing students with the quintessential college space usually associated with more rural campuses.

On any given day, members of the GW community could be found lounging about the fields of green grass, belting out tunes for their friends, or simply enjoying a quick bite between classes. **Joseph Raser**










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"I THOUGHT THAT IT WOULD BE A BETTER CHOICE FOR MY FIRST YEAR...IT'S QUIET AND HAS A MORE CAMPUS-LIKE FEEL."

Arturo Lichauco, Freshman

VERN LIVING

Life at GW's Second Campus

Tucked away in upper northwest D.C. less than three miles from the Foggy Bottom neighborhood laid GW's second campus—Mount Vernon. Known affectionately to students as The Vern, the campus shared its quiet neighborhood with a mixture of private homes, embassies and ambassador residences.

The Vern offered GW students a different living experience that allowed for a peaceful retreat from the hustle and bustle of the busy city.

"After spending a full day in Foggy Bottom, it's nice to have a relaxed place to come back to if you want to study," freshman Erin Poteet said. Students like Poteet rode back and forth between both campuses at all hours using the Vern Express shuttle bus.

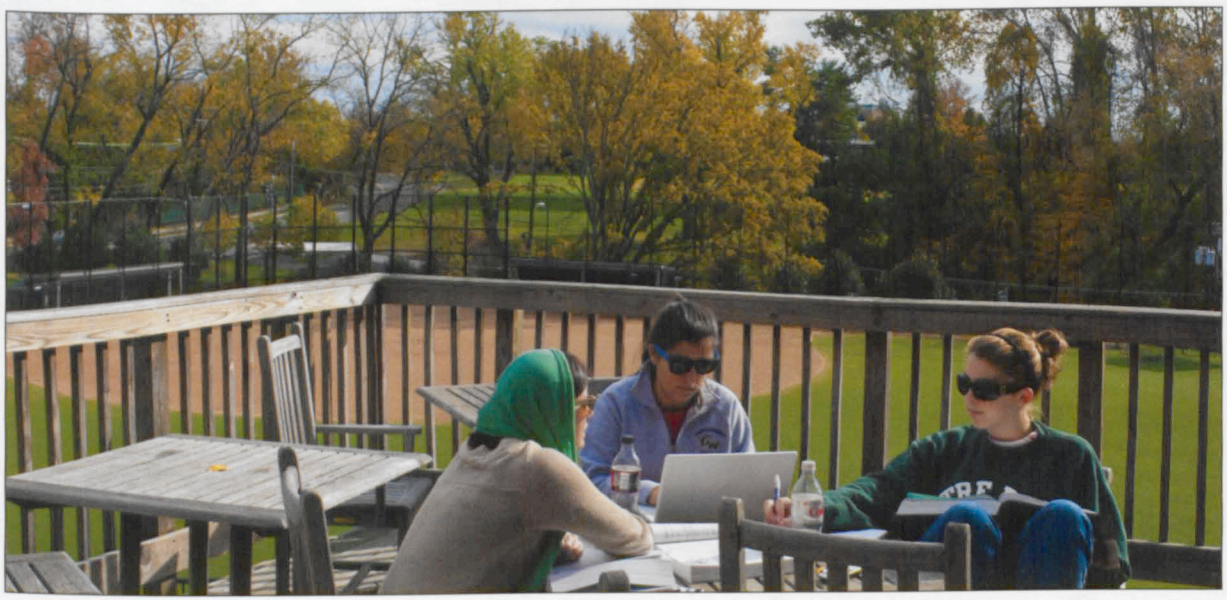
Many classes were taught on both the Foggy Bottom and Mount Vernon campuses, but the Women's Leadership, Dean's Scholars and University Honors Programs called Mount Vernon their exclusive home. Several faculty members, including Dean of Freshmen Fred Siegel, also lived on campus.

"I had the great privilege of living at the Mount Vernon campus with my wife and daughter," Siegel said. "The chance to actually work with students seemed like a great opportunity."

In addition to academics, The Vern offered a variety of fun activities for students, including film screenings, karaoke contests and all-you-can-eat Sunday brunch at Ames Dining Hall. The Mount Vernon Pub also played host to weekly Wacky Wednesday programs, during which student groups planned a night of fun-filled activities for members of the GW community.

Beyond regular weekly programming, Vern residents were also privy to spectacular views from their dorm windows, which gave them skybox seats for the Spring Fling concert and all outdoor sporting events.

Although it was only a short distance from the Foggy Bottom campus, Mount Vernon had a distinct character. The friendly students, warm atmosphere and compact grounds all added greatly to GW's sense of community. **Joseph Raser**





POLITICAL JUNKIES

Student groups encouraged civic discourse at GW

Despite the many differences between the College Democrats and the College Republicans, both organizations agreed that GW was the most politically active university in the nation.

As the largest progressive student organization on campus, the GW College Democrats brought students together to support the Democratic party's platform. While healthcare reform was debated on the floors of Congress in 2009, the College Dems held rallies in front of the White House and brought prominent speakers like Michael Moore to campus to communicate their message to the wider GW community. Members also lobbied several senators on Capitol Hill to voice their concerns about the healthcare issue.

"This year our membership was really energized," Publicity Director Sean Rourke said. "We provided our members with endless opportunities to really experience politics and affect change."

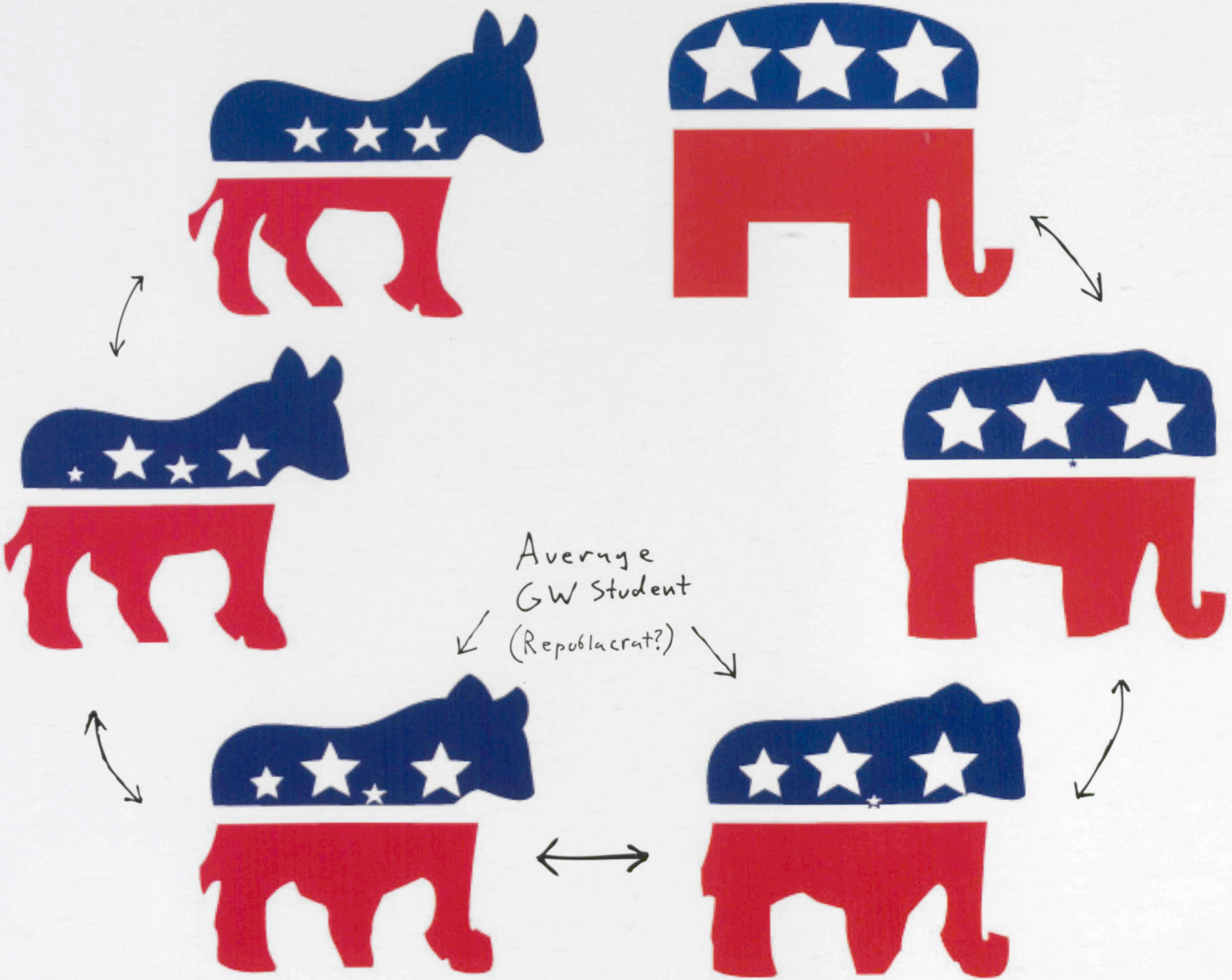
The organization's main events included an evening with Obama's campaign manager David Plouffe, lectures by Reps. John Conyers and Steve Israel and weekend-long Campaign Invasions, during which the organization bussed students into New Jersey and Virginia to campaign for democratic gubernatorial candidates.

Although not as large as their Democratic counterpart, the GW College Republicans were more united than ever in 2009 and 2010. With an increased membership, the organization worked hard to spread their conservative message throughout campus. The highlight of their year was the victory celebration that followed an election night party for the gubernatorial races.

"This year the GW College Republicans continued their tradition of excellence with our unsurpassed efforts in the successful GOP gubernatorial elections in Virginia and New Jersey," CR Chairman Brandon Hines said in a press release. "The combined efforts of our membership yielded over 75,000 voter contacts."

The College Republicans also brought many notable speakers to GW's campus. In September, the group launched a Congressional Dinner Series to draw influential congressmen Jeff Fortenberry, Tom Price and Joe Wilson to campus to encourage public service and civic engagement. Former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush also addressed the College Republicans. Bush shared his ideas for strengthening America through education reform and fiscal conservatism.

The College Democrats and College Republicans fostered a strong sense of grassroots activism amongst all members of the GW community—regardless of their political preference. **Joseph Raser**


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CAMPUS PLANNERS

Program Board organized events for the entire GW community

As the largest student-run event-planning group on campus, Program Board worked hard to provide quality and entertaining programming for the entire GW community. With their Fall Film Series, community service projects and major concerts, Program Board (PB) members planned events throughout the year.

"Program Board strived to plan events that interested as many students as possible," PB chair Tiffany Meehan said. "Bringing together a large group of students who enjoy the same thing instantly provided a better sense of community at GW."

Although Program Board was best known for organizing Fall Fest and Spring Fling, the organization hosted many smaller activities geared toward a variety of interests throughout the year. Their film series drew big crowds. Program Board gave students opportunities to watch movies like "Funny People" and "Inglorious Basterds" for free in the Marvin Center on a weekly basis. Their Hayride took students to Germantown, Md. to enjoy the outdoors. Project PB&J, which involved making sandwiches for D.C.'s homeless shelters, and Bowling for Boobies, supporting breast cancer awareness, demonstrated that GW students wanted to impact the lives of others.

Perhaps the most entertaining event of the year was the Maroon 5 concert in mid-November, which brought college students from across the District to the Smith Center to hear the popular band kick off their anticipated Back to School Tour.

"Without a doubt, Maroon 5 performing at the Smith Center will always be with me," Meehan said. "Seeing a crowd that large dancing and enjoy themselves, along with Maroon 5 also having a great time, is really what makes all the planning worthwhile."

Through large festivals like Spring Fling and weekly community service projects, Program Board truly enhanced student life at GW and allowed students to engage in positive activities outside the classroom.

Joseph Raser

Top Ten Program Board Events

1) Fountain Fling

2) Fall Fest

3) Maroon 5 Concert

4) Relay for Life

5) Movie on the Yard: Star Trek

6) Fall Hayride

7) Interfaith Dinner

8) Project PB+J in Kogan

9) Bowling for Boobies

10) Fall Film Series


JULIE
BINDELGLASS
Ten Questions

1) How does the Student Association impact the lives of undergraduates at GW on a daily basis?

One of my goals when running for SA President was to make sure that when students graduated, they could point out at least one thing the SA did that impacted their four years at GW. We have the ability to change small things every day and to act as a sounding board for students who come to us when they have a problem.

2) What was a typical day like for the President of the Student Association?

One thing that I do everyday is answer a ton of e-mails. Usually I have one or two meetings each day where I get updates about what's going on and then bring that information to the students to see ways in which we could impact and change the future. All of that is on top of my everyday classes, so it's usually pretty busy.

3) What role does the Student Association play in strengthening the GW community?

The stronger the voice we have, the better it is for the university, because we really are the heart and soul of it all. We support all of the 350 plus student organizations. The SA has the responsibility of allocating money to student organizations. When we had our retreat at the beginning of the summer, we sat down and decided what we wanted our role to be. Do we want to create new initiatives, or do we want to support what was already going? I think we've done a fairly good job of not completely revolutionizing everything, but taking something that was already there and making it better.

4) What are the most played songs on your iPod?

I have such a wide assortment. My shuffle is just really unique, so I can't pick my favorites. I'll dance around to whatever's on.

5) Where is your favorite place to eat in D.C.?

I'm a huge foodie. There is a really great hole-in-the-wall restaurant called the Well Dressed Burrito. I could list ten of my favorite places to eat; that's the hardest question so far.

6) What made you interested in student government?

I didn't do student government in high school. That's the funny thing. I love GW. The minute I got here I knew it was the right place for me and I wanted to find a way to get involved and make it even better. Running for SA President was not pre-planned. I really looked into the qualifications for the position and realized it was the best way I could give back to GW. I though I had the right skills to make the SA and the campus better.

7) What did you want to improve about the SA?

We set up three overarching goals – communication and accessibility, improving campus life and becoming a greater resource. We've completely revamped the web site and gave students the opportunity to engage with it. We hosted the Flag Your Problem event in Kogan Plaza. We added more GWorld vendors, got Greek gear in the bookstore and put a microwave in J Street. I think we have made great progress toward all of our goals, but I don't think I could ever say, "we're done, we're complete, time to hang up the hat and go home." I think we've made huge steps and will continue to do so throughout the year.

8) What are your three favorite GW events to attend?

Midnight Breakfast, Colonials Invasion and Balance's Production of "The Nutcracker," which I've been a part of for the past few years.

9) You are one of the most recognizable students on campus. How does that impact having a normal college life?

It certainly gives me a unique take. I see the university and my classes in a different way. I'm learning and doing so much outside of the classroom that supplements what I'm studying. I get to experience so much and see every part of the university. I can't say I've had a normal college experience, but I've had a great one.

10) What SA moment will you remember for the rest of your life?

On Sept. 11, I had the opportunity to do a community service project with the President and Mrs. Obama at a Habitat for Humanity site in Capitol Heights. To have 45 minutes with the President and the First Lady and to be able to accept the Community Service Challenge on behalf of GW was really memorable.



STUDENT GOVERNMENT

The SA advocated for GW students

The Student Association was a campus-sized microcosm of real world politics. Through its executive, judicial and legislative branches, the SA worked to give students a voice in GW affairs and initiatives. SA President Julie Bindelglass and Vice President Jason Lifton acted as the executive arm of the organization in 2009-2010. Students appointed to the judiciary heard cases related to student conduct. The SA Senate, comprised of representatives of each GW school and class, met weekly to propose and debate changes and improvements to GW student life. **Joseph Raser**



The SA Constitution





Residence Hall Association

RESIDENTIAL GOVERNANCE

Class Council and RHA served as voices for residents

GW's urban campus created a distinct atmosphere that was atypical of the traditional college experience. This unique situation presented a number of challenges to student life, but Class Council and the Residence Hall Association (RHA) worked to preserve a sense of community in and around campus.

"Founded ten years ago, the mission of GW Class Council was to promote inter- and intra- class unity through social, academic and community programming," Class Council President Ashley Starks said. "With Class Council members representing each of the individual classes, we served as an accessible resource to students on campus."

Class Council was responsible for organizing the annual Battle of the A Cappella Groups, which was held at the end of the spring semester, Senior Nights at local bars and restaurants and the ever-popular Freshman Feasts, which brought the student body together for an all-you-can-eat buffet at J Street. Class Council also teamed up with the Office of



Class Council

Alumni Relations to engage students with alumni in their fields of interest. Through this partnership, Class Council provided students with opportunities to attend the Dinners with Alumni program and "How Do I Become A..." speaker series, which introduced students to alumni whose careers were as varied as eco-entrepreneurs and CIA operatives.

Like Class Council, the Residence Hall Association thrived by bringing GW students together. This student-run group served as the governing body for residential life on campus. Composed of an executive board and Resident Advisory Councils from each of the 21 university residence halls, RHA worked hard throughout the year to provide residents with building-specific and campus wide programming.

Beyond campus dormitory life, the RHA also worked in tandem with other student organizations to augment school spirit. One of the most successful collaborations of the year was the Battle of the Orange Line publicity drive, which encouraged students to attend the men's basketball against George Mason. The event proved a huge success when over a thousand screaming Colonials arrived to cheer the team to victory.

Whether it was through events like Target Take-Over, weekly community service projects or the annual Martha's Marathon fundraiser, where auction proceeds went to the University Scholarship Fund, RHA enhanced the on-campus living experience for all GW students. **Joseph Raser**

TIM MILLER

Ten Questions

1) What exactly is the Student Activities Center?

I think of SAC as one of the few offices that actually connects with students from before they arrive at GW and long after they graduate. With all the things that we oversee, we are involved in students' lives for all four years, plus graduate school. We run Colonial Inauguration, Welcome Week and Grad Week, plus our office manages student organizations, Greek life, the LGBT Resource Center and GW Trails.

2) What is a typical day like for the director of SAC?

Every day is very different. It will range from a senior staff meeting in the morning to responding to the 100 to 150 e-mails I receive each day. On a good day I will get to meet with three to four students, either casually or through scheduled meetings. I try to get out of the office as much as possible and interact with students regularly, whether it's something as simple as grabbing a bite from a student organization's bake sale or attending one of the many student sponsored events.

3) How does SAC contribute to the strengthening of the GW community?

I think we are an integral part of the GW community. Our biggest strength is how we try to always work with other offices and groups across campus to collaborate and publicize campus events. There are a lot of things that we are involved in that allow students to find their niche at GW. For example, we found students came to GW to experience the city, but often graduated without doing so. SAAS and the City was formed to allow students to get more access to D.C. events that they normally couldn't participate in, like the lighting of the White House Christmas tree or local theater performances and sporting events. A student can't graduate from GW without being touched by our office multiple times.

4) What are the three most played songs on your iPod?

"Come On, Get Higher" by Matt Nathanson, "Viva La Vida" by Coldplay and "Numb/Encore" by Linkin Park featuring Jay-Z.

5) Where is your favorite place to eat in D.C.?

I would have to say Ben's Chili Bowl.

6) What brought you to GW and how did you become interested in working with college students?

I actually came to GW in February 2002 as the head of the Office of Community Service and as job openings became available, I eventually ended up as Director of the Student Activities Center. I was always involved in student life as an undergraduate at James Madison University. Upon graduation I got a job through the Student Union and realized that there was a whole career field specializing in service-learning at the college level. That same year I actually was an adviser on an alternative spring break trip, and it was here where I realized that working in service was what I wanted to do. Just seeing the change that can happen in a college environment when you do service right and working with students who really care about what they get out of it –and being able to do it everyday—is a pretty awesome experience.

7) What are your three favorite student sponsored events to attend?

It's hard to pick because I probably attend 60 to 70 events a year, but ones that I really look forward to are the student theater productions, battle of the acappella groups and "Noche de Cultura" presented by OLAS.

8) What was the best GW Trails Adventure that you ever participated in?

I went to Ecuador on one of the Trails' spring break trips and that was one of my best outdoor experiences ever. You really were able to experience another culture. After a nine-hour hike, we stayed in a huge cabin on top of a mountain with the clouds below us. Just being in that environment was incredible.

9) You are probably the administrator who has the most contact with students. What was the strangest request you ever received from a student?

Last year I was asked to go on the "Rocky Horror Picture Show", but I set some ground rules for participation before I went. Being asked to attend that was pretty strange, but they kept it PG while I was there. I also get asked to participate in a lot of dunk tanks. I can't remember saying no to a request.

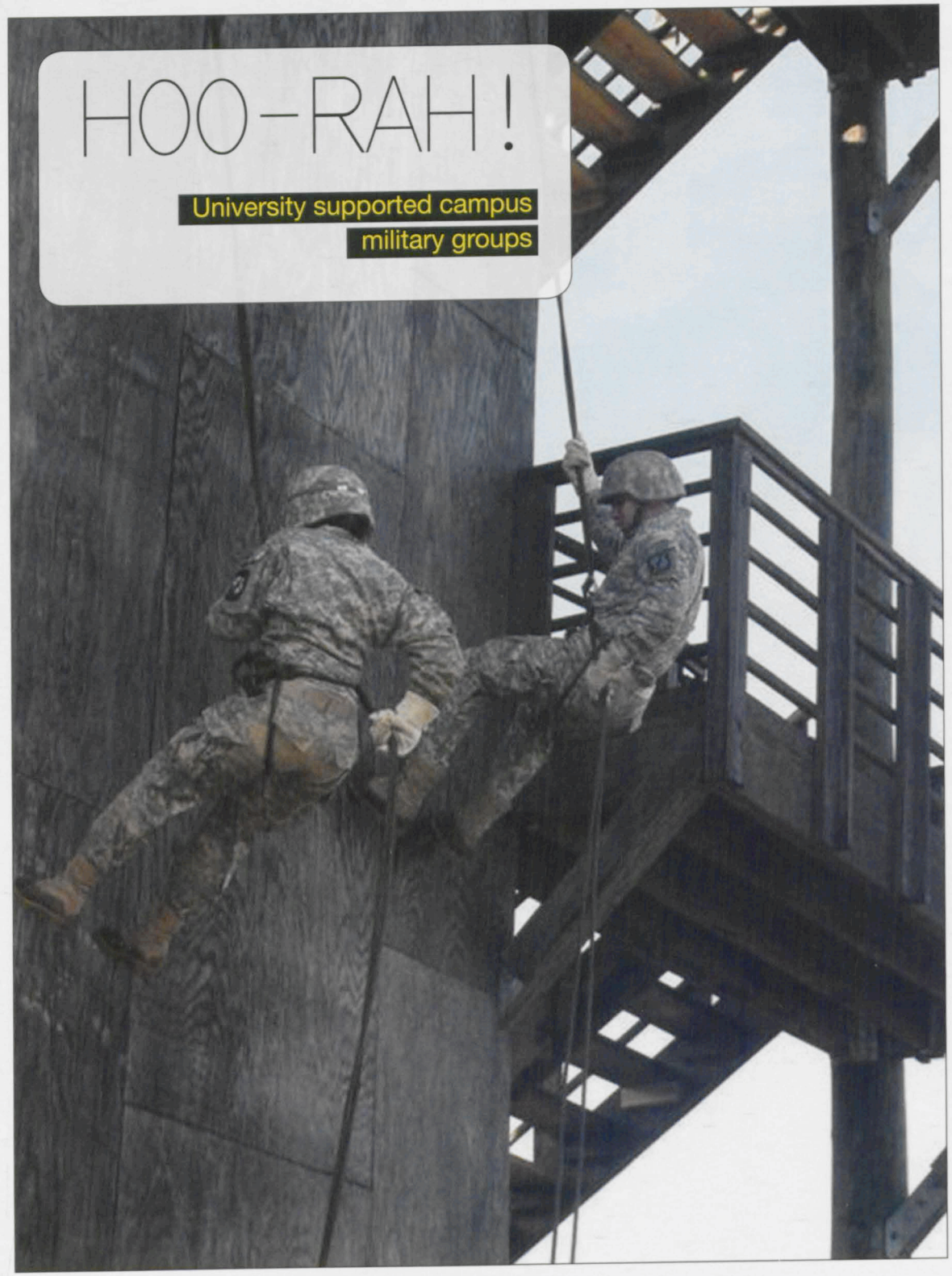
10) Do you have a favorite TV show?

My wife got me into "Glee." I have been watching that religiously. I also watch "Rescue Me" and "Entourage" regularly.



SAC (Student Activities for Active Students)





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University supported campus military groups

Many students entering college had only a vague idea of precisely what they would be doing following graduation. For members of the Air Force, Army and Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps, a secure career in the military often accompanied a diploma.

Easily identifiable on campus by their demeanor, discipline and dress, midshipmen maintained a strong presence at GW since the NROTC program's launch in 1984. The program was run from an F Street townhouse out of which staff rigorously trained more than 150 undergraduate students for military life. In addition to their standard university coursework, midshipmen took several Naval Science courses, participated in unit drills and sustained high levels of physical fitness throughout their four years at GW.

Although headquartered at Georgetown University, the Army ROTC program known as the Hoya Battalion drew a large number of cadets from GW. Cadets underwent intense physical and mental training as they were groomed for their roles as officers in the United States Army. Beyond the demanding coursework and physical fitness tests –which consisted of two-minutes of push-ups, two-minutes of sit-ups and a timed two-mile run—cadets could also participate in Battalion clubs, which compete in special challenges. The Ranger Challenge Team competed annually in military skills competitions and the Ten Miler Team trained for the Army Ten Miler Race held in D.C. each October.

Interested GW students also participated in the Air Force ROTC program, located at Howard University. There, students prepared for active duty life as an officer in the U.S. Air Force by dedicating themselves to the principles of "integrity first, service before self, and excellence in all we do."

All three ROTC units encouraged students to train over the summer at military outposts across America.

"Although I think the physical aspec of ROTC was the most challenging and rewarding part of the program, the summer after my sophomore year I was awarded a slot at the U.S. Army Airborne School in Fort Benning, Ga.," Army ROTC senior Julienne Denecke said. "The first time that I jumped out o a C-130 is a moment I will never forget."

Another prominent student military organization on campus was the GW Veterans. Formed in 2008, this group's mission was to support veterans as the navigated GW. As a proud participant of the Yellow Ribbon Program, the university provided quality education to the men and women of the armed services, working closely with GW Veterans to ensure their needs were met. GW Veterans also served in an outreach capacity by bringing public speakers to campus, holding memorial services for fallen military alumni and organizing GW's Veterans' Day celebrations. **Joseph Raser**


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DANCING THE NIGHT AWAY

Student dance groups thrived at GW

Students at GW did not have to wait for the Moscow Ballet to roll into town to catch a good show. Dance came in many forms when the university's dance groups, including Balance: The GW Ballet Group and GW Ballroom performed on campus.

With members whose skills ranged from beginners through pre-professionals, Balance was founded in 2004 to create a welcoming and supportive community for ballet dancers and enthusiasts alike. The group provided ample opportunities for everyone on campus to share in their love of ballet by offering free dance classes, theater-going experiences and practice space for anyone interested in learning more about the art of dance. Balance's numerous campus performances—especially its annual production of "The Nutcracker"— always drew big crowds.

"Performing in front of an audience, no matter the number, gives you a rush," Balance's Public Relations Director Catherine White said. "Seeing fellow student stand up and appreciate ballet is a feeling you will never forget."

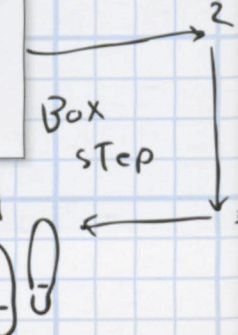
GW Ballroom also dominated the dance floor. The team spent hours perfecting foxtrot, samba and waltz routines on the second level of the Lerner Health and Wellness Center as they geared up for competitions. GW Ballroom participated in three local competitions and traveled to Columbus, Ohio for the National Collegiate Ballroom Competition.

"Competitions are really fascinating," GW Ballroom President Alex Pazuchanics said. "I think everyone expects these competitions to be very uptight and straight-laced, but it's really the opposite. People have cheers and signs and everything. When you're dancing, it's great to hear your team going crazy for you. Everyone has a number that identifies the couple, so people shout it out so that the judges take note of you. It's absolutely fantastic." **Joseph Raser**



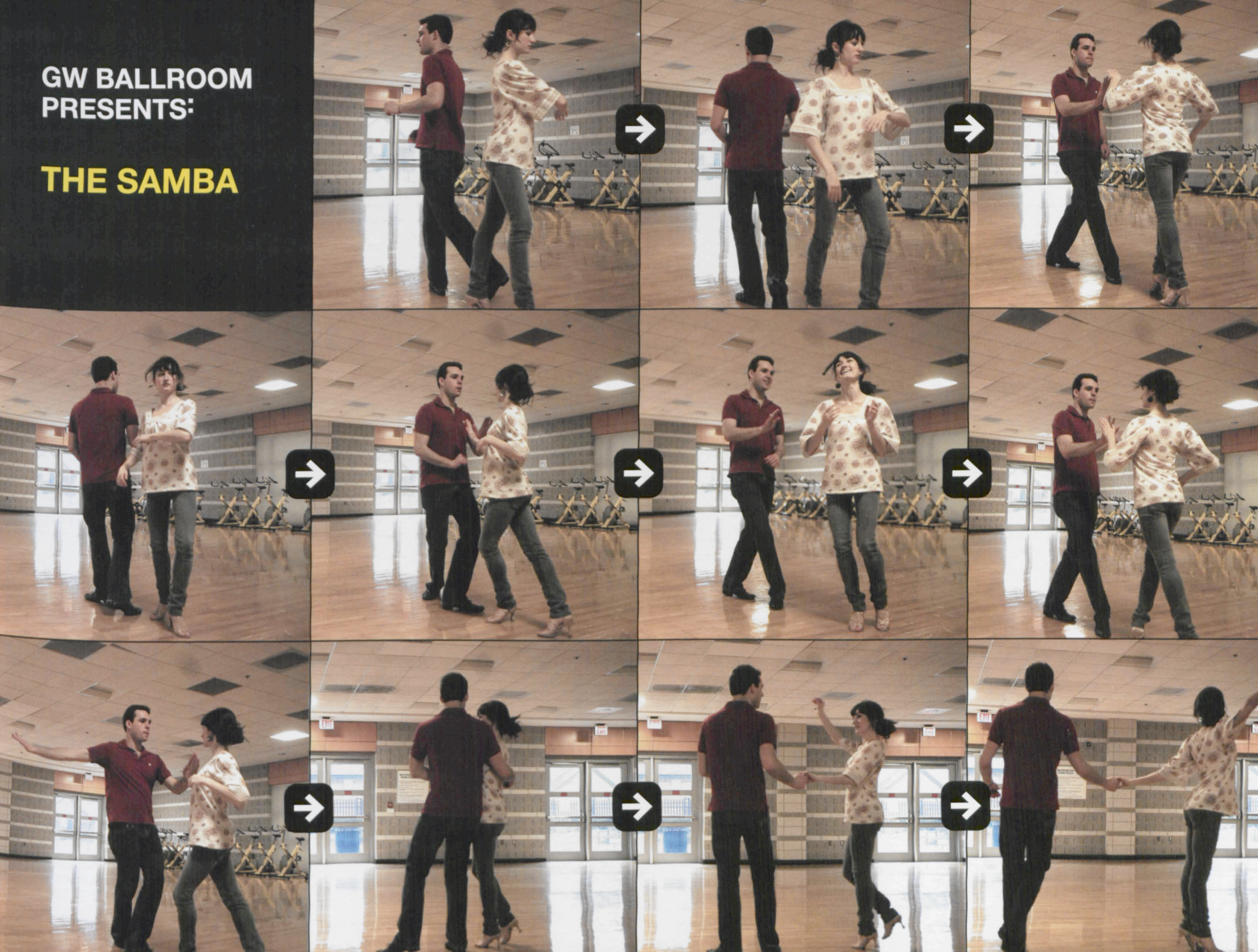






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MULTI CULTURAL GROUPS

EnglighTENing the university

With its prominent location in the heart of the nation's capital, GW appealed to a diverse group of students and became a melting pot for many different cultures. Assisted by the Multicultural Student Services Center, student organizations formed to celebrate students' heritage and to showcase cultural traditions for the entire GW community.

1) Asian Student Alliance – The ASA was dedicated to the promotion of Asian Pacific American awareness and appreciation. Through cultural enrichment events, community outreach and social gatherings, they strove to strengthen the identity and ethnic diversity of the university.

2) Black Student Union – The BSU had been a staple on campus since 1968. Founded as a sounding board for concerned students, the BSU continued to preserve and enhance African American cultural identity.

3) Caribbean Student Association – This multicultural organization preserved Caribbean cultural identity while raising awareness about challenges faced in the region. Following the devastating earthquake in Haiti in 2010, the CSA put together a week's worth of activities, which included a prayer vigil and a fundraiser that raised over $7500 for relief efforts.

4) D.C. Internationals – With the goal of fostering enriched understanding of foreign cultures among members of the GW community, D.C. Internationals' events ranged from career fairs to film fests. The group also offered foreign language classes.

5) The Global Language Network – This non-for-profit was founded by GW alum Andrew Brown to improve global understanding by building foreign language skills. The GLN offered over 100 classes, all taught for free by native speakers, in 45 different languages.

6) Indian Students Association – As one of the largest student groups on campus, the ISA was dedicated to preserving and promoting Indian culture. While they sponsored many events throughout the year, the highlight was the annual Diwali festival, where students showcased traditional Indian food and dance while celebrating the festival of lights.

7) Lebanese Club – This new student organization was created to foster a better sense of community among Lebanese students and share their culture with the rest of the student body. Through academic events, potluck dinners and outings to various Lebanese restaurants, the group made their mark at GW.

8) Organization of Latin American Students – OLAS was established to enhance awareness of Latino culture on campus, advocate for Latino issues and nurture unity and pride among the Latino students. While the group sponsored many events throughout the school year, the highlight was Noche de Cultura, when students danced to a live band, ate authentic Latino food and shared in the diversity of Latin America.

9) Philippine Cultural Society – This student- run organization celebrated Philippine culture at GW. Their tenth annual culture show, Tandaan, was a huge success, with members performing traditional Filipino dances and catering Filipino foods, complete with a pig roast, for the entire community.

10) South Asian Society – The focus of the SAS was to bring together students of South Asian descent and promote unity and awareness. The group hosted numerous events and sponsored two of the largest dance festivals in D.C.—Bhangra Blowout and Rass Chaos. **Joseph Raser**

Michael Tapscott



Michael Tapscott embodies the meaning of student engagement. To many he is like a father who cares, supports and protects his students. Mr. Tapscott is known to be a "Man for Others". He is always there to lend a helping hand and provide resources if and when needed. His contagious smile makes students feel welcome and comfortable at all times. He is a true advocate to the multicultural student community and provides the feeling of a home away from home.







ACTING OUT

Student theater drew big crowds

Ford's Theater and the Kennedy Center were not the only venues to find a good show in D.C. GW students who sought to raise their theatrical IQ did not even need to leave campus. Student-run theater groups regularly hosted weekend performances, contributing greatly to GW's artistic and cultural vibe. The university was home to a number of active and innovative performing arts organizations.

The cast members of ReceSs, the only sketch comedy and improv group on campus, strove to share their slapstick humor with the entire GW community. They also performed with area comedy clubs and brought other comedy troupes to D.C. from colleges across the country.

The Generic Theatre Company entered its 25th year at the university, continuing its mission of producing quality theater that was both fun and enjoyable. With shows that ranged from "Pink Floyd's The Wall" to the ever-popular "Freshman Showcase," Generic's' plays appealed to all.

The 14th Grade Players—whose works included the Greek tragedies of "Medea" and "Eurydice" and the superhero comedy "Dr. Horrible's Sing-a-Long Blog"—produced performances that were both novel and inquisitive.

Forbidden Planet Productions aimed to produce great musicals, as well as both comedic and serious plays for the GW community to enjoy. Working on dynamic productions, FFP was thrilled to involve as many of their members as possible. Every Halloween weekend, FPP staged "The Rocky Horror Picture Show."

"There is nothing like watching the actors perform for an audience for a first time," FPP Executive Produced Katherine Nelson said. "Everyone is always so excited and the atmosphere is just so charged. Opening night is always amazing." **Joseph Raser**


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CHOW DOWN

Top TEN Campus Eats

10) WOW! - With its prime location in the Hippodrome and walls covered with flat screen TV's always tuned to ESPN, WOW! gave students the much-needed opportunity to spend "J-Street" dollars. Menu highlights included the Chicken Quesada and Sonoma Wrap with Fries.

9) J-Street - J-Street was the hub of student dining. With its diverse selection, "Home-Cooked Sunday Dinners" and central location, J-Street provided GW students with quality meals at a fair price. Menu highlights included a Salad Bar, Kosher Deli and Fruit Smoothies.

8) Carvings - Conveniently located on the first floor of Potomac House, Carvings was an optimal stop for students living on the F Street corridor in need of a quick meal. Menu highlights included the Steak and Cheese and UPD sandwiches.

7) Lindy's Red Lion - With over 25 different burgers to choose from, Lindy's certainly was one of the best bar and grills on campus. Friendly staff members, an outdoor beer garden and ground beef burgers the size of a fist made Lindy's a popular eatery. Menu highlights included their Blue Beard and Acapulco burgers.

6) Bertucci's - Serving traditional Italian style pizza, Bertucci's was great for visiting GW families looking for a casual sit-down atmosphere. Although D.C. was not known for its pizza, Bertucci's authentic thin-crust pies were simply delectable. Menu highlights included The Bertucci and Margherita pizzas.

5) Ivory Tower - Potbelly's, Pita Pit, Dunkin Donuts, Gallery Place and a Gourmet Market all called Ivory Tower home, making this residence hall a center of student dinning morning, noon and night. Menu highlights included The Wreck from Potbelly's and the BLT pita from Pita Pit.

4) Froggy Bottom Pub - Froggy had everything a college student could hope for—cheap beer, good pizza and enough space for large group dinning. Just off of Washington Circle, Froggy Bottom Pub was hoppin' seven nights a week. Menu highlights included The Bottom Burger and the Lilly Pad gourmet pizza.

3) GW Deli - A staple at GW since 1945, the GW Deli offered a wide variety of convenience store items as well as fresh bagels and warm sandwiches. The GW Deli served students, faculty and staff as they rushed between classes. Menu highlights included the Bacon, Egg and Cheese and Chicken Salad sandwiches.

2) Tonic - Tonic at Quigley's Pharmacy was a favorite meeting spot for undergraduates. With a diverse menu, Tonic was a great option for students willing to pay a little more for quality meals. Menu highlights included Buttermilk Fried Chicken and Steak Frites.

1) Founding Farmers - Following a successful inaugural year, Founding Farmers continued to serve patrons farm fresh meals at fair prices. Enjoying the restaurant's original "farm-to-table" method, GW students were guaranteed to leave satisfied. Whether they stopped by for breakfast, lunch or dinner, Founding Farmers' American fare always pleased. Menu highlights included Yankee Meatloaf and Lobster Mac & Cheese. **Joseph Raser**





FUTURE DIPLOMATS

The IAS worked to create global citizens

As one of the largest student organizations at GW, the International Affairs Society, known to the student body as IAS, enhanced campus life in an incredibly unique way. Composed of undergraduates united by their interest in international culture and diplomacy, the IAS provided students with an array of activities that ranged from strictly educational to purely recreational—and just about anything in between.

"The mission of the IAS was to promote a better understanding and general awareness of international issues as they pertain to our members as students, residents of D.C. and citizens of the global community," IAS chair Jessica Thompson said. "All throughout the year, we worked to foster a gainful learning environment through academic programs, outreach and social opportunities."

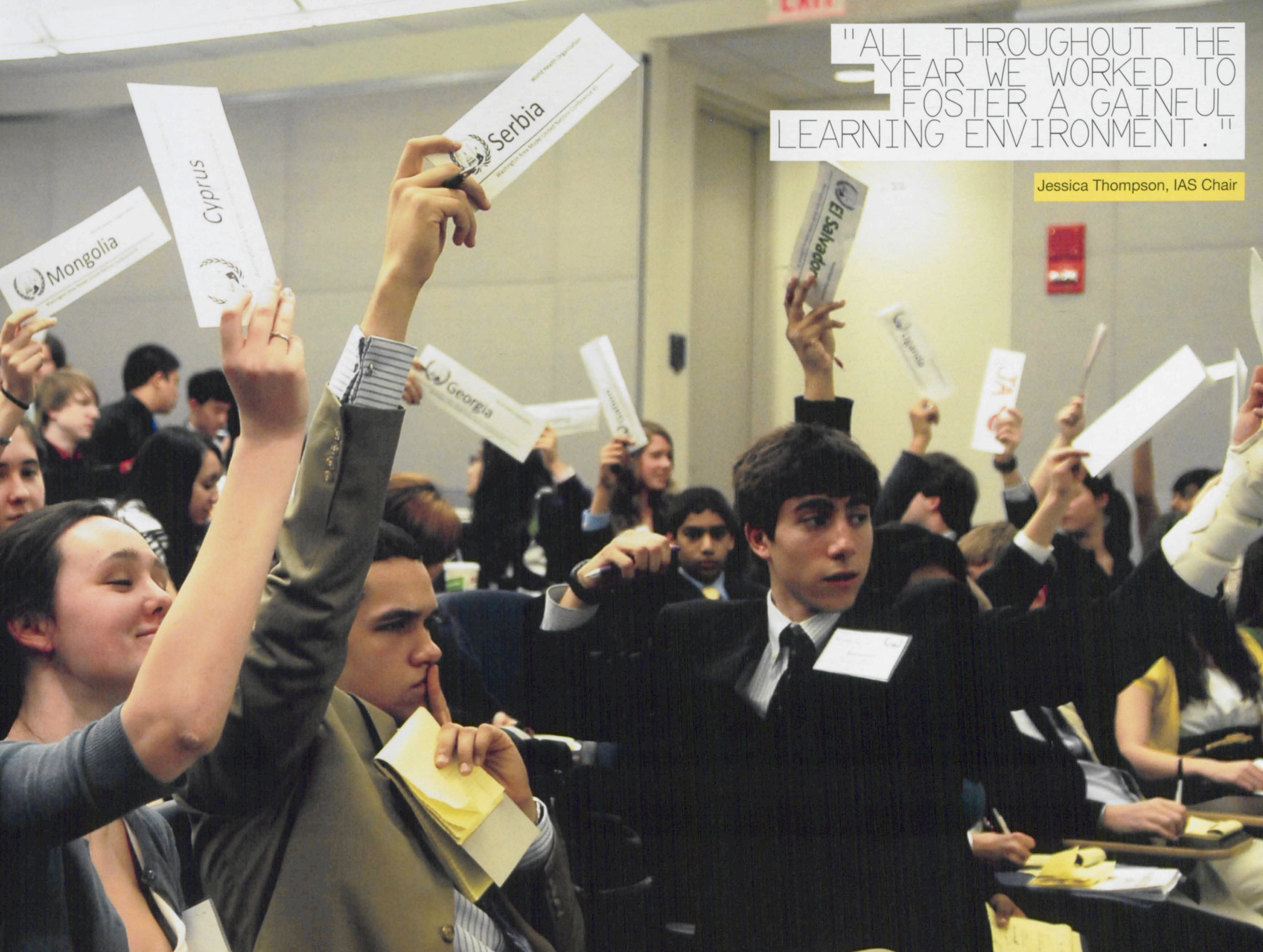
IAS programming focused on encouraging intellectual thought in foreign affairs. Through the publication of GW's only undergraduate international affairs journal "The Globe," monthly outings to embassies and coordination with the Elliot School to bring renowned speakers to campus, the IAS furthered a love of learning among its membership.

Members of the IAS also traveled around the country participating in Model United Nations competitions at various universities. These conferences allowed students to develop negotiating and public speaking skills while learning about specific policies related to the issues of a given country.

The IAS gave students ample opportunities to interact outside the classroom. Potluck dinners were a common occurrence for engaged members. Ice skating on the National Mall and the annual trip to Georgetown Cupcake in celebration of United Nations Week always drew big crowds. The IAS also promoted community service by developing tutoring partnerships with D.C. Public Schools.

"I've met my closest friends through the IAS and the vast opportunities of this organization have allowed me to become meaningfully involved at GW and in D.C.," Thompson said. **Joseph Raser**





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ALLIED IN PRIDE

Student groups advanced LGBT issues

Students at GW were at the forefront of hot-button political issues. Allied in Pride was one prominent student group that pioneered initiatives in such controversial topics. Through their participation in the National Equality March, support of the LGBT (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender) community and role as host to a plethora of public speakers, Allied in Pride added to the spirit of political activism on campus.

Allied in Pride created an informed and supportive environment for LGBT students at GW. The group hosted social events like speed-dating and drag bingo. They organized Coming Out Week, which included a film screening of "Before Stonewall" to commemorate the 1969 New York City Stonewall Riots. Lt. Dan Choi spoke on the organization's behalf about the failures of the military's "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy. Allied in Pride co-sponsored a visit by Meghan McCain, who gave a speech on redefining the Republican Party and proclaimed her support for gay marriage.

The highlight of the year for Allied in Pride was the National Equality March, during which activists from across the country converged in Washington, D.C. to push for equal rights for members of the LGBT community.

"Allied in Pride spent months organizing for the protest," Allied in Pride President Michael Komo said. "We housed student from across the country at GW so they could participate. It was a once in a lifetime opportunity to hear a vast range of famous speakers and LGBT activists."

GW worked hard to support LGBT students on campus. One such effort was the opening of the LGBT Resource Center on the fourth floor of the Marvin Center. Here, GW students were provided with education, support and advocacy services in an attempt to create an open and inclusive campus environment. The university also worked in conjunction with Allied in Pride to push for a LGBT Studies minor and gender-neutral housing.

Joseph Raser

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TAKING ACTION

Student activists brought important issues to light

With their draws for young people interested in political and humanitarian issues, Washington, D.C. and GW seemed constantly abuzz with social activism. Students were quick to find new causes that would provide a reason to band together in hopes of raising awareness, collecting funds and providing hands-on support for groups seeking a voice in the community.





1) Amnesty International – Members of this humanitarian organization educated the public on human rights abuses by discussing ways to prevent injustices. The group took part in the Regional Conference, held lobbying training sessions and hosted speakers from various human rights groups.

2) Colonials Against State Executions – This organization spread awareness about the death penalty and provided a forum for discussion on the topic. On Nov. 10, the date of the execution of the D.C. Sniper, the members of CASE gathered to rally against the death penalty and watched "The Exonerated," a film about wrongly convicted individuals.

3) Colonials for Life – This student run organization worked to fight abortion and encourage women to choose life. Members joined forces with the College Republicans to walk in the annual March for Life. In addition, Colonials for Life brought pro-life speakers and hosted a holiday party where items were collected for the Northwest Pregnancy Crisis Center.

4) Humane Animal Treatment Society – HATS worked to promote and protect animal rights by spreading awareness and supporting animal welfare legislation. Whether it was through lobbying on The Hill or collecting donations to benefit the Washington Humane Society, HATS always had animal rights on their mind.

5) Students for Effective Foreign Assistance – This group encouraged political activism among students, helping them to lobby congressmen for foreign assistance legislation. Events included a film screening of "What are We Doing Here?" which urged for more efficient charity work in Africa and a speech on careers in social activism given by UN staff members.

6) Students for Free Cuba – Students for Free Cuba worked to support citizens of Cuba being denied rights under the Communist regime. By discussing issues and sponsoring events, which included a screening of "Cuba Y Los Elefantes" and a Cuban Music Festival, this group shed light on the plight of disenfranchised Cuban citizens.

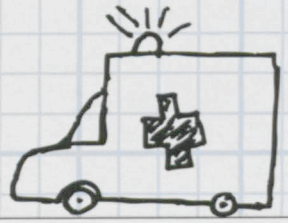
7) Student Global Aids Campaign – As part of a national student-based campaign, this group was dedicated to ending the HIV/AIDS pandemic in the United States and the world. Since D.C. had the highest rate of AIDS in the United States, the group focused on direct service, lobbying and public awareness through events like GW Week of World AIDS Day.

8) Trafficking Free GW – This new student organization encouraged political action on the issue of human trafficking. Notable events included the distribution of Valentine's Day cards and a trip to a Nationals game where over 300 people wore matching T-shirts to spread awareness about human trafficking.

9) Voices for Choices – VFC organized events that took political action in support of reproductive freedom. Memorable events included a Reverse Trick or Treat condom distribution and the Champions of Choice luncheon that brought together a number of pro-choice groups.

10) War Child – Students in this nonpartisan activist organization helped promote the development of programs for children who were victims of armed conflict. Through fundraisers at Campus Fresh and Crêpeaway, they raised money for their cause and held open meetings to increase awareness and encourage discussion.

Jessica Chace



EMERGE

Student EMTs kept campus safe

For members of the GW community, the acronym EMeRG (Emergency Medical Response Group) was synonymous with "help." EMeRG's volunteer medics worked tirelessly 24 hours a day and seven days a week to provide emergency medical care to students, faculty and staff in need.

A division of the University Police Department, EMeRG had a dedicated team of over 70 graduate and undergraduate students. All were certified as EMT-Basic or higher, licensed as care providers in the District of Columbia and had logged more than 130 hours of classroom and clinical training. Beyond emergency response services, EMeRG volunteers provided free CPR training, staffed on-campus events and were occasionally on call for major events in the D.C. metropolitan area, such as the annual Marine Corps Marathon.

While some EMeRG personnel were pre-med students, the service-oriented organization prided itself on the large number of participants whose fields of study were non-medical or non-science related. Many students joined the staff because they felt a calling to help their community and gain valuable skills in the field of emergency medicine. Regardless of their reasons for joining, the volunteer students of EMeRG were without a doubt some of the hardest working on campus. **Joseph Raser**

Top Ten Reasons Join EMeRG

10) Register early for classes

9) Hang out in the fishbowl

8) GWorld Access to every building

7) Attend Premier University events

6) Wear a cool uniform

5) Walk around with a stethoscope

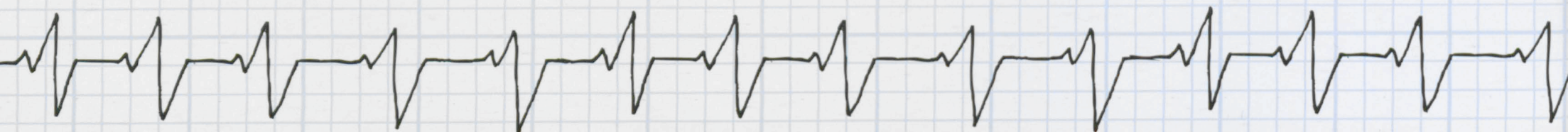
4) First choice in housing

3) Drive an ambulance

2) Practice emergency medicine

1) Keep the GW community safe

EMeRG
= Emergency Medical
= Responce Group




EMeRG

LENDING A HAND

Student orgs reached outward with community service efforts

On Sept. 11, First Lady Michelle Obama offered a significant challenge to the GW community— perform 100,000 hours of community service. If GW students, faculty, staff and trustees met the goal by spring, Obama promised to speak at the university's commencement. While there were many active organizations dedicated to bettering the campus community, ten major groups included:



1) Best Buddies – Members of Best Buddies GW were part of an international organization that supported students in developing friendships with individuals who had disabilities. Once a month, GW students met with their buddies from St. Coletta, an organization for children and adults with disabilities.

2) Buzzing for Change – Every April, students gathered to "buzz for change," getting their hair cut for Locks for Love, a charity that benefited children fighting cancer by providing wigs. Buzzing for Change became recognized as a not-for-profit organization in 2009.

3) Camp Kessem – Each summer, Colonials volunteered to work at Camp Kesem, a student-run summer camp that welcomed children from the D.C. metropolitan area who had a parent with cancer. This week-long camp provided fun activities and created friendships in an effort to help participants deal with stress and loss.

4) Circle K – As GW's largest community service organization, Circle K held numerous events throughout the school year to support the D.C. community and its members. To meet Michelle Obama's service challenge, the members of Circle K participated in service projects such as the Kiwanis Family Day of Service to benefit hospital patients.

5) DC Reads – Students volunteered as tutors working with elementary students in D.C. Public Schools and various afterschool programs. DC Reads volunteers took a hands-on approach in advancing the education of young people in the nation's capital.

6) GW's District Youth Empowerment Program – Members of this organization worked with young people in D.C.'s low-income, at-risk communities and schools. GW students tutored kids and provided after school programs. The organization held fundraising events at popular venues such as Crepeaway and Campus Fresh.

7) GW Habitat for Humanity - Members of this local chapter of the international humanitarian organization built homes for low-income families in D.C.'s Columbia Heights neighborhood. Student volunteers worked at build sites throughout the school year and hosted numerous fundraisers to support their endeavors.

8) Relay for Life - A university-wide event, Relay for Life held fundraisers throughout the year, encouraging student organizations, Greek groups, club teams and individuals to raise money and participate in the annual relay event. On April 11 hundreds of students gathered in the Lerner Health and Wellness Center to show their solidarity with cancer patients, holding a luminaria ceremony and donating proceeds to the American Cancer Society.

9) Students for Sustainability – To benefit entrepreneurs in Guatemala, students sold products from the developing country and used the profits to make microcredit loans to encourage entrepreneurship. Products including unique jewelry were sold both online and at Sol Café.

10) Teach for America – As they learned about the achievement gap in America's educational system, students held positions as Teach for America recruiters. In October, GW eld Teach for America Week to provide educational materials about the program and encourage people to apply for jobs that would help spread educational equality in communities. **Jessica Chace**


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GWORKS OUT

Students found creative ways to stay fit

With so much activity in the busy lives of GW students, it was tough to imagine having time between classes, student org meetings and internships to stay in shape. Still, students came up with creative ways to stay active and healthy throughout the school year.

Many students utilized the fitness room in the Lerner Health and Wellness Center, which was home to a plethora of exercise equipment, including treadmills and elliptical machines, bench presses and free weights. Group fitness classes were also popular and highly attended by students seeking the guidance of certified instructors. With its convenient hours and free and easy access, HelWel was always a hot spot on campus.

For some students, participation in team sports was a more attractive option. Intramural and club sports, which included everything from kickball and dodgeball to floor hockey and softball, were widely played by GW sports enthusiasts.

"I've been playing on various sports teams since I was a little kid," sophomore Lucas Hagerty said. Hagerty played on both the club soccer and club basketball teams. "It was something I wanted to continue in college and it's a great way to stay in shape while having fun and meeting new friends."

Still others found that the best motivator was registering for a semester-long, one credit course in the Exercise and Sports Sciences Department. Students were able to sign up for challenging exercise classes that included yoga, badminton and triathlon training.

Despite the hectic lifestyles of GW students, many found fun ways to work out off-campus. Whether it was yoga in HelWel, flag football on the National Mall, or jogging along the Potomac, GW and its expansive campus offered a wide variety of ways to maintain a healthy daily life. **Joseph Raser**

CASH MONEY

On-campus jobs provided opportunities for students to find work

1) Lerner Health and Wellness Center – Student staff monitored equipment and fitness machines and could work out before or after their shifts. Student could also hold positions as lifeguards and group fitness instructors.

2) GW Housing Programs – In their year-long positions, House Proctors and House Scholars lived and worked in the same place. They promoted healthy living situations, mediated conflicts and built community within their residence halls. GW Housing Programs treated staffers to group dinners and encouraged professional development.

3) Colonial Connection – As student fundraisers, GW Colonial Callers contacted alumni from around the world to keep them connected to GW and encourage them to support students with donations to academic programs, scholarships and student life. Fundraisers meeting and surpassing their goals received impressive bonuses.

4) Undergraduate Admissions – The most spirited GW students worked for Admissions, processing applications, conducting interviews around the country and answering questions from high school seniors and their parents. Students were able to make a huge impact on future Colonials.

5) Key Depot – Students working at the Key Depot in Amsterdam Hall and Somers Hall truly held the keys to the university. It was their dedication and organizational skills that ensured students could get back into their rooms immediately after lockouts.

6) GW Athletics – Events at the Charles E. Smith Center went off without a hitch with the help of the facility's event staff. Working everything from basketball games to gymnastics meets, students got a front row seat to all the action.

7) Career Center - As Career Center Ambassadors, students honed in on their professional skills as they reviewed resumes, answered job questions and supported the many programs hosted by GW's Career Center. Working for the Career Center assured students that they would develop a greater understanding of what they wanted to do after graduation.

8) Marvin Center - As the hub of campus life at GW, the Marvin Center hosted a plethora of university-sponsored and outside events. Everyone from the operations staff to the concierge were on hand to serve students and visitors.

9) Gelman Library – At the library, students helped classmates check out books and swipe their GWorld cards at the front door. Being a bookworm could not have been easier with the downtime workers had during their shifts.

10) Student Technology Services – Positions were available to students who had a knack for resolving computer glitches. Instead of being recruited by friends to fix their computers, STS staffers actually got paid for solving students' computer issues. **Katelyn Payne**


GW COLONIAL CONNECTION
TARA EBRAHIMIAN



"AT TRAILS WE WENT A STEP FURTHER. WE MADE THE WILDERNESS OUR CLASSROOM."

Matthew Sacco, Program Coordinator

HIT THE TRAILS

Student group celebrated the great outdoors

Although GW was known for its city campus, the school's grounds extended well beyond Washington, D.C. Thanks in large part to outdoor education programs like GW TRAiLS, students could call the wilderness their second home through participation in countless excursions sponsored by the organization throughout the year.

"Many university organizations offered students educational opportunities outside the classroom," TRAiLS Assistant Program Coordinator Matthew Sacco said. "But at TRAiLS we went a step further. We made the wilderness our classroom."

By providing students with diverse outdoor experiences that promoted leadership, self-discovery, respect for the environment and community service, Teaching Recreation and Adventure incorporating Leadership and Service (TRAiLS) fostered an active outdoor community. With these principles in mind, student guides organized trips that ranged from hiking in Shenandoah National Park to whitewater rafting in Pennsylvania.

"We provided the opportunity to go out and explore the many outdoor areas surrounding D.C. and the ability to escape the urban environment on any given weekend," Sacco said. "Being able to spend time with people that shared similar interests and simply experiencing the fun of the great outdoors was what TRAiLS was all about."

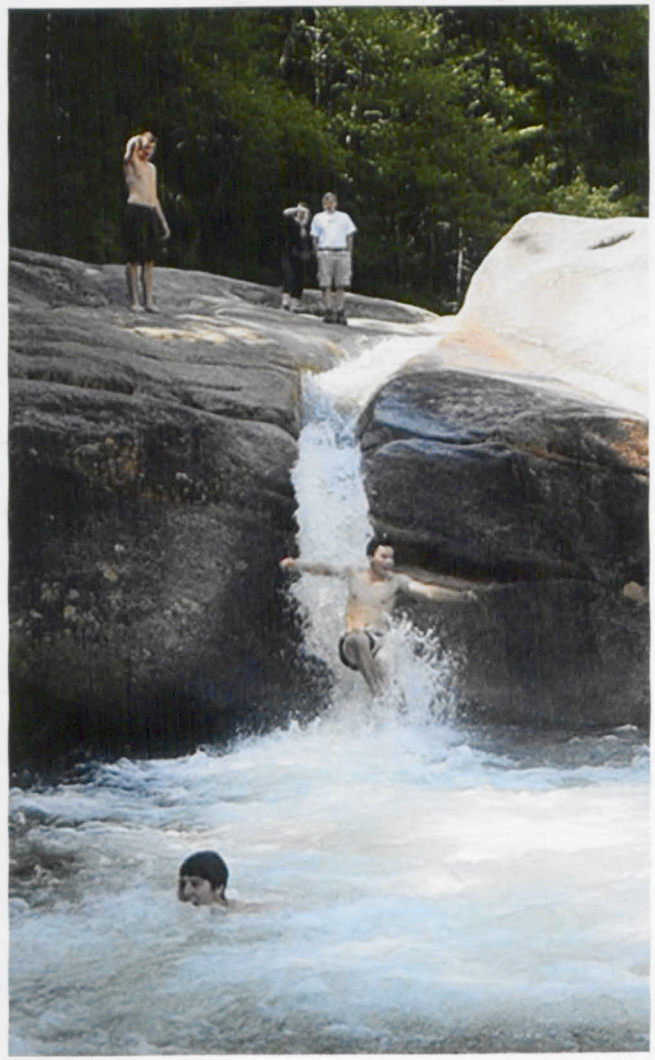
Beyond just mid-Atlantic trips, TRAiLS sponsored alternative break service projects. Students were given the opportunity to participate in winter and spring break activities, such as rock-climbing in the Great Smoky Mountains or biking the Florida Keys. Participating outdoor enthusiasts also gave back to communities by engaging in park cleanups and green awareness efforts.

Another TRAiLS highlight was Project Exploration, which was offered to incoming freshman students prior to the start of classes. This program allowed students to move to campus early and embark on weeklong sporting adventures including surfing, hiking and biking. Not only was this ideal for making new friends, but it also allowed freshmen to interact with upperclassmen and become better prepared for college life.

Through day-hikes, campouts and international excursions, TRAiLS greatly enhanced student life by bringing a little slice of the country to the city.

Joseph Raser







25 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE

Awards ceremony celebrated student involvement

On April 21, members of the GW community crammed into the Lisner Auditorium for a celebration of student life. The 25th anniversary of the Excellence Awards showcased the breadth and depth of the student body and commended outstanding leaders for their contributions to the university. With emcees Colby Anderson, Darnell Cadette, Brianna Spahn and Reakweeda Zazay leading the show and five student group performances showcased throughout the program, the awards were a huge success.

Awards:

The Class of 2005 9/11 Memorial Scholarship
– Chris Franzetti

Learning Through Action Award
– GlobeMed GWU

Marc A. Zambetti Award
– Elroy Sequeira

GradLife Award for Individual Excellence
– James Baker

The Outstanding Student Service Award
– Joyce Ma and Alternative Winter Break: Nashville

Colonial Challenge Awards
– Jaime Albarelli and GW Women's Rugby

Multicultural Student Service Center Excellence in Diversity Award
–GW Interfaith Action and Indian Students' Association

Walter G. Bryte, Jr. Achievement Award
– Political Satire L.L.C.

House Staff Member of the Year
– Julie DeMareo

House Leader of the Year
– Aly Azhar

Mount Vernon Award
– Nicole Sweeney

The Class of 2009 University Pride Award
– Barun Aryal

Spotlight of the Year Award
– Higher Education Student Association

Student Employee of the Year Award
– Sean Flannery

Joint Committee of Faculty and Students Scholarship for Undergraduate Student Leadership Development
– Ryan Douglass, Ryan Heger, Elizabeth Speaker, Ashley Starks, and Eden Sutley

Greek Woman of the Year
– Kelley Stokes

Greek Man of the Year
– Nicky Sampogna

Greek Chapters of the Year
– Pi Kappa Alpha, Delta Gamma, Lambda Pi Chi

Stephen Joel Trachtenberg Cooperative Education Student of the Year
– Benjamin G. Kornblum

Program Board Event of the Year
– Class Council's Represent

Eco-Challenge Awards
– 1959 E. St and 526 22nd St.

Spark a Life Awards
– Katie Bean, Joan Mitchell, and Steven Kelts

Manatt-Trachtenberg Prize
– Amanda Formica

Performance Group of the Year
– Capital Funk

The Baer Award for Individual Excellence
– Alison McDougal, Brian Hawthorne, Laura Maas, Shakir Cannon-Moye, and Nicky Sampogna

Pyramid Award for Student Organizations of the Year
– Allied in Pride, Caribbean Student Association, and GWise

GWORKED

Students used Career Center resources to strengthen job and internship prospects

The GW Career Center's location near Thurston Hall connected freshmen to professional resources during the first year on campus. Dependence on and use of the Career Center increased throughout a student's GW experience, mainly because the staff guaranteed that the needs of each class were met with a variety of different events, programs and resources.

Many students knew before arriving at GW that they would have the opportunity to find a Federal Work Study job. The Career Center became a central hub for freshmen that needed guidance navigating federal forms, completing paperwork and job searching. The only way to be hired for Federal Work Study was through the Career Center, so year after year, students dropped by to pick up checks, renew forms and grab a free cup of coffee or hot chocolate.

The GWork online database-- one of the most utilized programs at the Career Center-- held thousands of opportunities during the 2009-2010 school year,. Available jobs ranged from one-time hires to volunteer opportunities to on-campus positions. A unique feature of GWork was the Job Search Agent, which sent an e-mail to a student if a job was posted relevant to their major or submitted interests. GWork was also a valuable resource for graduates in finding a full-time position. Using GWork, alumni gave back to their alma mater by offering positions exclusively to GW students.

For students hoping to master the hiring process and increase chances of landing an internship, the Career Center was available for cover letter or resume assistance with the 48-hour Critique Service. Students received their documents back within a day and signed up for a mock interview with a Career Center staffer. Students later viewed the video recording of their interview with the staffer, who critiqued their body language and responses.

The Career Center also catered to the student population in 2009-2010 by hosting nine Career Fairs, each with a specific focus. Fair topics ranged from internships and Federal Work Study to more career-specific Engineering, Communications and Consultants worked with students to help them present themselves in the best light and to make a connection with the attending employers by hosting workshops before and giving advice during the event.

Throughout the year the Career Center held other workshops with a variety of topics to aid students in finding the right type of employment, recognizing their interests and easing matriculation into the workforce. Events in 2009-2010 addressed Federal Security Clearances, working overseas after graduation and landing internships on Capitol Hill. These workshops were often coupled with Employers in Residence, who came from large college recruiting companies like Teach For America, CIA and Peace Corps to discuss their respective industries. These employers gave students a leg up in the process by recording their name for a referral.

A popular senior-only program through the Career Center was the Job Search Boot Camps, which was fairly new at the start of the fall 2009 semester. The boot camps sought to give seniors the tools to find employment and to be free from worry before graduation. Programs that were open to all but typically utilized only by seniors were Speed-Networking Events with alumni. With the poor economy creating stress for seniors, soon-to-be graduates attended meetings with GW alumni in related fields to make connections that might lead to professional opportunites.

"Many students aren't ready (to use the Career Center)," Director of the Career Center Marya Gumbs Jennings said. "They hesitate because graduation always seems far away."

A wide range of specific events in 2009 and 2010 catered to a more diverse crowd and the drive to get freshmen to interact with the Career Center during their first year on campus led to the creation of a bigger and better reputation, inspiring more students to take advantage of Career Center.

Marisa Ranieri


Alternative Career Development Resource List


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RELIGIOUS LIFE

Groups built foundation for faith on campus

As a nondenominational campus in the nation's capital, GW was rarely associated with religion. Still, with a plethora of student organizations available with a focus on religious missions, a small but profound sense of faith pervaded the campus.

"I honestly believe religious life on campus is as pure as it ever will be in a person's lifetime," said Zahin Hasan, publications chair of the Muslim Students' Association. "College is a time of redefinition. While GW is not overtly spiritual, many students define their religious status once they come to the university, which signifies a very healthy state of religion at GW."

Prominent staples of the GW religious scene were Hillel and the Newman Center, which served as meeting places for members of the Jewish and Catholic faiths, respectively.

"The mission of the Newman Center was to provide a fun and welcoming community where anyone on campus can learn about the Catholic faith and ultimately grow closer to God," Student Coordinator Shannon Morris said.

While the Newman Center was well known for its weekly Tuesday Night Dinners, which provided free, home-cooked meals for anyone who stopped by, the facility played host to a number of other activities, as well. Catholic students had opportunities to serve the greater D.C. community with monthly service projects, as well as to strengthen their friendships through retreats and day trips to places like Harper's Ferry and Blob's Park. The Newman Center was also the gathering place for GW Knights of Columbus and Catholic Daughters of America.

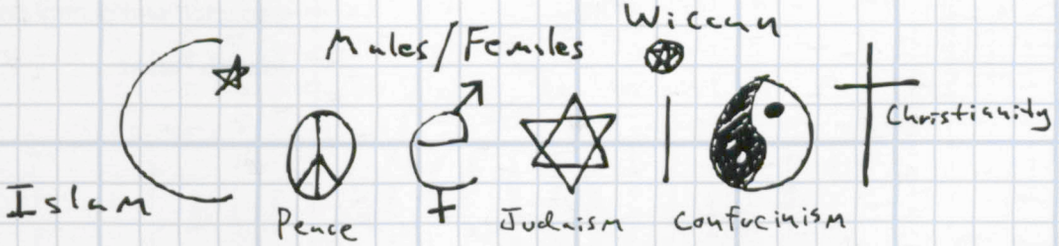
Hillel acted similarly as an umbrella organization for Jewish student groups on campus. With weekly programs like Shabbat and Challah baking, as well as special events commemorating the Jewish holidays of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur, the GW Hillel provided many students with interesting and varied activities throughout the year. Hillel also played host to Senator Amy Klobuchar and Congresswoman Debbie Wasserman Schultz to commemorate Brest Cancer Awareness Week.

Even without tangible buildings to call home, many other religious groups flourished at GW and developed creative ways to share their faith. WordUp! Bible Study was an outreach ministry that provided a spiritual and social support system for members through fellowship. "We met weekly on Thursdays for regular bible studies in which we talked about topics that affected the typical college student," Co-President Abisola Okanlawonsaid said. "Each month we also participated in some form of community service, which brought members closer together as a family."

Rather than further dividing the study body, the diversity of religious groups on campus united the members of the GW community through their shared messages of peace, compassion and understanding.

"The most memorable event from this year has to be the Fast-A-Thon, in which students of other faiths joined Muslims in fasting and breaking their fast in order to raise money for DC Central Kitchen," said Saud Inam, education chair of the Muslim Students' Association. "The beauty of the event was that the dinner brought together people of different faiths and backgrounds in order to come support a common goal of conquering poverty and homelessness."

Joseph Raser



HOT OFF THE PRESS

Student publications informed the GW community

It was hard to imagine an uneventful day in GW's culturally, politically and socially vibrant neighborhood. As a result, major network news outlets and domestic newspapers had nearby bureaus and anyone who ventured three blocks to the White House saw the press corps lined up on the North Lawn, eagerly awaiting their daily briefing. With some of the nation's finest journalists in the area in close proximity to campus, GW nurtured many talented student reporters.

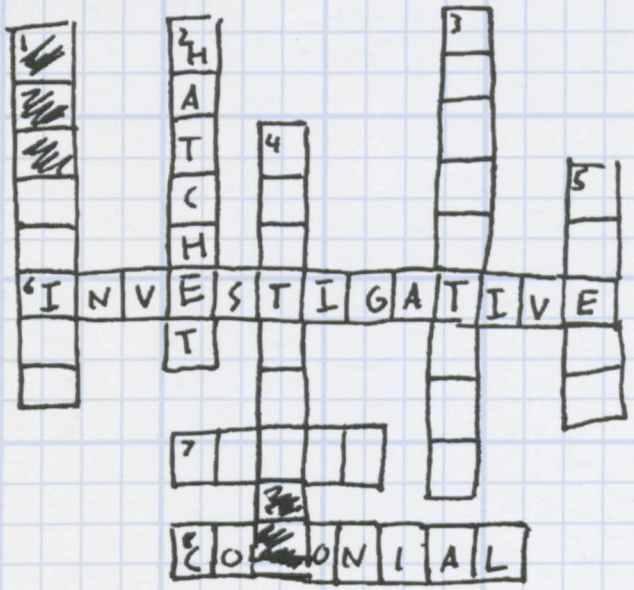
The GW Hatchet was the leading publication on campus, providing students with weekly installments of campus news every Monday and Thursday. Financially and editorially independent from the university, The Hatchet enthralled readers with its through-provoking editorials, entertaining student life pieces and excellent news coverage.

Journalism students and photographers also demonstrated their talents with contributions to The Daily Colonial. With a newly designed, reader-friendly Web site, The Daily Colonial switched its format from that of an online newspaper to an online daily newsmagazine.

"It was very apparent that our online newspaper format was no longer viable," Editor-in-Chief Ashley Carufel said. "We focused our strengths towards features, in-depth reporting and covering students rather than trying to chase big university breaking news that we never had the man power to cover. We rebranded ourselves with a new logo, new look and branched out into multimedia efforts to supplement the newsmagazine format."

With The Hatchet's skillful reporting and The Daily Colonial's perceptive student life pieces, journalism and photography occupied a respected and central position on campus.

Joseph Raser



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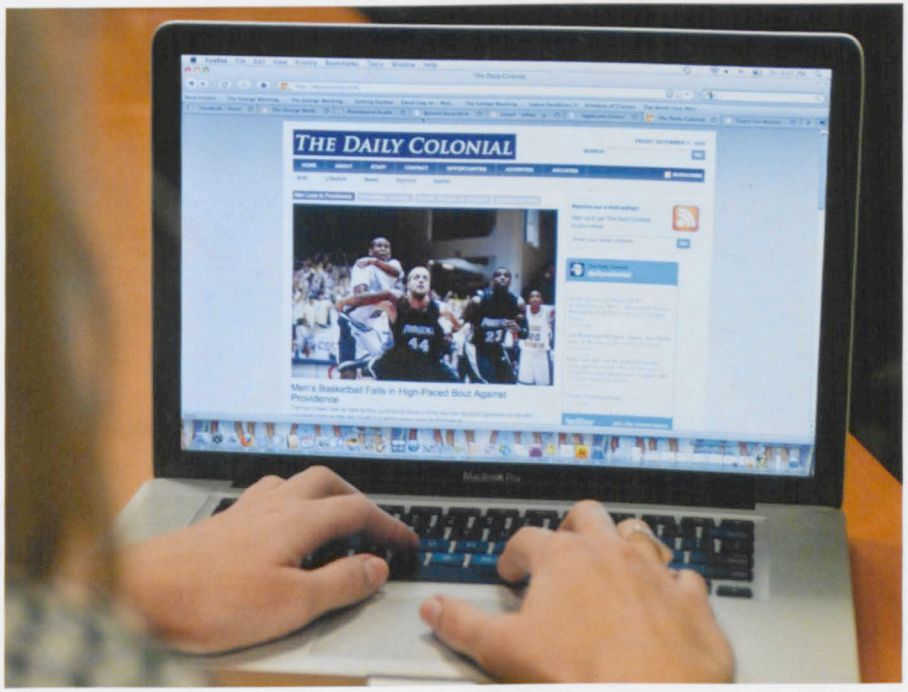
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STREAMING THE AIRWAVES

WRGW and GWTV showcased broadcast journalism

With so much transpiring in and around the District, the city naturally served as the hub for many communication outlets. This constant exposure to broadcast journalism permeated the GW campus and strengthened its college media. WRGW and GWTV were two entirely student-run organizations that kept the community up-to-date with the happenings of the university and provided students with a venue to express their views on a daily basis.

Streaming live via the Internet, WRGW personalities used the radio to communicate directly with the GW community. "We offered listeners content that was not available anywhere else," WRGW General Manager Nomi Kaplan said. "We were the only radio station in the Atlantic 10 to broadcast live from all GW basketball games, both home and away. Our DJs each had their own distinct taste and personality that listeners could connect with, and they regularly interviewed local and touring artists, politicians, and sports figures."

The year 2009 also marked the 80th anniversary of the founding of the highly acclaimed radio station. To celebrate, WRGW



GWTV

unveiled a slew of innovative promotions to reach a broader audience, including a sleeker Web site. With events like Oktoberfest, which featured in-studio performances by student musicians, and the monthly concert series in the Mitchell Hall Theater, WRGW fostered an appreciation of the arts amongst GW's community. The station's news department also hosted a lecture with seasoned journalist Helen Thomas in the fall.

"Planning and broadcasting a music radio show is an extreme balancing act that requires practice," senior Kaplan said. "It was incredibly satisfying to create and share a radio show, to keep an audience entertained and sometimes to even surprise them."

GW Television (GWTV) also gave students the inside scoop on the latest news at GW. As an entirely student-run television station under the auspices of the School of Media and Public Affairs, GWTV was available to all on-campus residents on the closed-circuit channel six. With its diverse lineup, GWTV exposed viewers to a number of different programs, including the weekly SMPA newscast "The Source," the roundtable sports show "Unstoppable" and the ever-popular dorm room fitness presentation "MelindAerobics."

"Getting stopped on the street and recognized for being on Channel 6 was definitely one of the e-board's favorite parts about working for GWTV," GWTV Co-General Victoria Riess said. "The e-board's being part of GWTV firsts, like our live broadcast and live stream on our website, was also a pretty amazing experience." **Joseph Raser**



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Elizabeth* Acevedo

***heart and soul of Hispaniola**

When Elizabeth Acevedo spoke, students listened. Standing in a dark sweater before a crowd at Georgetown's Urban Fare event, the GW senior opened her hands as she said, "I'm sick of the pages I filled with your thoughts." The rhythmic staccato brought life to Acevedo's words as she filled the room with her own thoughts.

Acevedo was a well-known spoken word poet, performing on stages all across the country, such as the Bowery Poetry Club, the Nuyorican Poetry Café and the Kodak Theatre. She traveled across the country as part of the Latino Poets Society Spoken Word Tour in the fall of 2008. Her work was even featured on BET's You(th) Speak Out national public service announcement.

Ever since she could remember, Acevedo had been writing. Born and raised in New York City as the daughter of Dominican immigrants, Acevedo said she inherited her gift for storytelling from her grandfather.

"I think poetry is the way I learned to negotiate and translate the world," Acevedo said of her art. "It was the only way to explain the world around me and express it with the world."

After a meeting with Dean Fred Siegel, Acevedo decided to attend GW, where she felt she could continue her performance poetry in a city that had a strong arts community. When Acevedo arrived in the fall of 2006, she wasted no time getting involved.

During her time at GW, she was a member of an intramural basketball team, the Organization of Latino American Students, Sigma Lambda Upsilon, Dean's Council and the Multicultural Student Services Center. Acevedo even founded and served as the president of The Griots, an organization created to encourage oral and literary artists at GW.

"I love that GW allows for me to explore and be a part of everything I care about," Acevedo said of her involvement.

Acevedo found inspiration everywhere she looked.

"I love language so anytime I hear something that stands out, I'm quick to find an image or a metaphor," she said. "A poem usually follows that. I also have strong feelings about transnationalism, womanhood and love, so those often motivate what I write about."

Acevedo's talent captured the attention of GW and supporters across the country. Her Facebook page boasted over one thousand fans and featured videos and excerpts of her work. Acevedo's talent left a lasting impression on the GW community. The artist offered words of wisdom to GW students.

"Don't be afraid to demand your space here," she said. "Legacies are created by those who did it their way, even if it was unconventional." **Andrew Elwell**





Brenda Tobin*

*star of the service circuit

Two years after Hurricane Katrina devastated New Orleans, senior Brenda Tobin found herself in the city helping to revitalize the ailing metropolis. As part of an Alternative Breaks program, Tobin had brought her passion for community service and a desire to help others in need.

"Going down to New Orleans starting my freshman year, about two years after Katrina had hit, and continuing my work down there each year, allowed me the opportunity to really watch the city recover," Tobin said of her experience. "I love the hands-on nature of the trips and the stories and experiences I was able to collect from residents during each visit."

Tobin's commitment to service throughout her life followed her to GW, where she not only participated in three Alternative Breaks programs, but also served as Community Service Chair of Program Board and was a member of the Chi Omega sorority. Tobin also served for two years as Relay for Life Chair, helping to facilitate the event. Since the arrival of Relay for Life on GW's campus in the spring of 2006, Tobin had proudly walked to honor those who had battled cancer, including her grandfather, who lost his life during Tobin's junior year of high school. After the event's inaugural year on campus, Tobin was made its chair.

"I have found that the greatest reward comes from doing work that I am passionate about," Tobin said.

The Tucson, Ariz. native and political science major came to GW in the fall of 2006.

"I wanted to go to college somewhere that had opportunities and experiences that I would not be able to find at home," she said of her decision.

2010 was a stellar year for service at GW, and thanks to students like Tobin, GW served as a positive example for universities across the country as they worked to make their community a better place. **Andrew Elwell**

Kelley * Stokes

***class of 2010's finest fundraiser**

Kelley Stokes had lost her voice. As a GW freshman in the fall of 2006, the Detroit native suffered from complications that prohibited her from pursuing her love of singing—the very love that had brought her to GW with a Presidential Scholarship of the Arts. This early setback encouraged Stokes to explore other elements of campus life, which led her to involvement and leadership in many organizations.

As a senior in 2009, Stokes took on yet another leadership role as Coordinator of the Senior Class Gift Campaign. After an extensive selection process, she rose to the position and began rallying her classmates around the "ten out of ten" theme—encouraging 100 percent of all graduating seniors to contribute to the campaign.

"Deciding to fill out that application was probably the best decision I've made since I've been here," Stokes said of her role.

Throughout the year, Stokes worked with her committee to publicize the Senior Class Gift, lead marketing efforts and collect contributions. Among her favorite parts of the coordinating position was the opportunity to reconnect with classmates in the final excitement before graduation.

"One of the best things about senior year is that it gives a class something in common to rally around again, so you run into people who you may have lost touch with a little during sophomore and junior years while everyone was getting involved with their different niches at the university," she said.

Stokes herself developed multiple niches with her enthusiasm for campus involvement.

"I hope to leave a legacy that encourages future students to get involved while you're here at GW," she said. "I didn't come to GW with the intention of getting extremely involved on campus."

Despite her initial reservations, Stokes used her vocal difficulties to branch out into other parts of GW. This diversity of experiences and the friendships it created bred in Stokes a deep appreciation for her time in Foggy Bottom.

"Feeding off of my friends' passions for their activities here while trying to inspire others to buy into what I'm passionate about at the same time is a beautiful exchange that has created lifelong bonds," she said.

Stokes hoped to inspire her classmates to reflect similarly on their college experiences and remember the importance of giving back to the institution that had provided them with so much.

"It allows seniors to give back to something that has impacted them while they've been at GW so that future students will be able to have those same opportunities," Stokes said of the Senior Class Gift. **Alli Hoff**





Brian * Hawthorne

***hero to student veterans**

Brian Hawthorne joined the Army Reserves in 2003 while living in upstate New York, where the climate eventually proved too cold. After completing a semester at the Rochester Institute of Technology, he volunteered to serve in Iraq. Hawthorne served as a medic in Mosul, Iraq from June 2005 to May 2006 during his second tour abroad.

With over 400 veterans enrolled at GW, Hawthorne saw a need for a veteran's affairs group when he arrived at GW in September 2008. He felt compelled to bring the needs of this population to the attention of GW's administration.

"There wasn't really a community for us here," Hawthorne said. "We had a rough start tracking down every veteran on campus. The new Office of Student Veteran Services has been a big help to us."

Hawthorne was thrilled with the university's response. In April, GW announced its participation in the Veterans Affairs' Yellow Ribbon Program, committing $2.5 million toward veteran education.

"The university was ready to help, offering us every opportunity," Hawthorne said.

In the midst of organizing the GW Veterans' Veterans' Day Ceremony, Hawthorne received a call asking if he wanted to have an even bigger ceremony. First Lady Michelle Obama and Jill Biden, wife of Vice President Joe Biden, addressed the GW community as part of a national campaign to increase participation in service opportunities, on Nov. 11.

"I was very honored to lead them in a moment of silence," Hawthorne reminisced.

Hawthorne's influence in the lives of American veterans stretched beyond the confines of GW's campuses. As legislative director of Student Veterans of America, he gave three formal testimonies and attended numerous meetings with high-level officials on Capitol Hill.

"No one else there was a student," Hawthorne said of a roundtable discussion about the GI Bill held in December 2009.

Hawthorne helped hundreds of student veterans receive their benefits. People found him on Facebook and sent him messages seeking help. As a D.C. resident, he could go straight to the politicians.

"Education is such a core benefit," Hawthorne said. "You can enable people."

In 2009, the GW Veterans Services Advisory Committee received an Excellence Award for their efforts. While Don Balfour, a GW undergraduate in 1945, might have been the nation's first recipient of the GI Bill, Hawthorne was the first GW student to help the university provide consistent service to student veterans.

Katelyn Payne

Amanda Ussak*

***explorer of cultures and continents**

While many GW students enjoyed studying abroad or interning with a governmental department, Amanda Ussak surpassed the norm by participating in both activities— not once, but twice. The New Jersey native discovered her passion for international affairs through Model UN, mock court trials and her first taste of life abroad in Freisburg, Germany in the fall of 2007.

"My only regional experience at the time was in Europe, so I decided on the IES European Union program," Ussak said. "By visiting each member state and many inter-governmental organizations, I attained a realistic sense of international relations that has assisted me in my academic and professional pursuits ever since."

With a fresh knowledge of foreign life, Ussak was inspired to apply for an internship with the Europe and Eurasia Bureau of the Department of State as a freshman.

"I told them I didn't know the first thing about the Middle East," Ussak said. "I was promptly informed that Afghanistan is not part of the Middle East. Learning about political military cooperation in Afghanistan led me to think critically about counterterrorism."

As a sophomore, Ussak was handed her own portfolio, sent to inter-agency meetings and worked on Senate confirmation hearings. With her coworkers encouraging her to take initiative, she developed a further interest in all things international, which ultimately led her abroad to Marseille, France during the spring of her junior year.

"My program in France required Arabic classes to help us better understand the North African immigrant population in Marseille and prepare for our trip to Morocco," Ussak said. "Luckily, my host family was of Palestinian and Algerian descent, so I experienced the unique Marseillais mix of Arab and French cultures daily."

During an on-site study with classmates to Fez, Morocco, Ussak lived with a family of six who shared a single room. To communicate with her four host sisters and divert marriage proposals from their cousins, she needed to speak both French and Arabic.

"In Morocco, it was sink or swim," she recalled.

Upon her return to the United States, Ussak, who served as president of the Delta Phi Epsilon Professional Foreign Service Sorority, applied again to the State Department's internship program. During her senior year, she worked in the Office of the Secretary of State. Ussak hoped to enter the Foreign Service after completing her degree.

"You can't hate the commute -- only seven minutes door to door," Ussak said of her work in the State Department. **Katelyn Payne**





Kyle * Boyer

***believer in the greater purpose**

In one of the biggest political controversies to hit student government in the history of GW's campus, Kyle Boyer and his campaign for the Student Association (SA) presidency captured the attention of the entire student body in the spring of 2009. Although the scandal's ups and downs did not result in a victory for the Boyer camp, the Berwyn, Pa. native returned in 2010 with the campaign behind him, ready to embrace his senior year without regret or attention to the past.

"My faith teaches me that everything happens for a reason, so it obviously wasn't meant for us to win the election," Boyer said. "It's still cool to know how much support we had. It's almost like Team Boyer won without having to do all the hard work afterwards."

Team Boyer, which led in many polls throughout the 2009 SA election, found itself entrenched in controversy regarding a promotional vehicle that violated financial regulations for campaigning. As a result of these accusations, Boyer, who emerged as the winner of the original election, was disqualified from the race. While these political dramatics may have captivated much of the GW campus, they did not linger as Boyer's most significant memories of the university.

"As hard as it is to choose, I still think the spontaneous rally outside of the White House on election night 2008 has been the highlight of my GW experience," he said.

Boyer, who majored in Political Science and minored in Sociology, selected GW because of its proximity to political opportunities like those offered by the 2008 presidential election.

"I applied to six D.C. schools to be in this city," Boyer said of Washington. "I got into five of them and GW was the best. Looking back on it, I should have applied to GW early."

Once on campus, Boyer felt that GW was the obvious home for the ultimate college experience.

"I love the opportunities GW offers its students," he said. "Easy Metro access and sidewalks give GW students access to every job, internship, concert—anything imaginable."

Boyer was an active member of the Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity and the Voice Gospel choir. He also ran a small weekly Bible study group while on campus. After graduation, Boyer planned to teach high school math in Philadelphia as a member of the Teach for America corps. Following his two-year commitment to Teach for America, he hoped to continue teaching.

"I don't think I'm important enough to have a 'legacy' at GW," Boyer said in retrospection of his time as a Colonial. "Hopefully, though, those that knew or met me will remember me as a nice guy." **Alli Hoff**

Drew* Granucci

***dedicated to GW's future**

As coordinator of the Student Admissions Representative (STAR) and Visitor Information Program (VIP) initiatives during his senior year, Drew Granucci effectively set the tone for GW's freshman recruiting program. Prospective Colonials visiting campus during both the summer and the school year came into direct contact with Granucci's staff of student tour guides, whose presentation of the university often gave high schoolers their lasting impression of GW.

"It is very rewarding to know that in whatever small way, I have been able to improve the university and bring the best students to campus," Granucci said. "The job that we are doing helps students to have a successful four years, just as I have."

Granucci became involved with GW's Office of Undergraduate Admissions—which managed both the VIP and STAR programs-- in his earliest days in Foggy Bottom.

"I have been involved in some aspect of admissions at GW since a week after I stepped on campus my freshman year," he said. "I have always loved GW and wanted to impart all of the wisdom that I had to prospective students."

As a STAR on the Mount Vernon Campus during his first year, Granucci learned the basic skills of a tour guide and found an outlet for his love of GW. He furthered his abilities over the next two years as a tour guide on both the Foggy Bottom and Mount Vernon campuses. During the summer of 2008, Granucci was part of the VIP program, which sought to offer the ultimate visit experience to prospective students and families touring GW in the summer. As a rising senior, he was offered positions coordinating both programs.

"In both positions, I have served as the student leader for the university's visit program, which entails all campus tours, information sessions and management of the university's visitor center," Granucci said. "My main goal is to help each prospective student and parent find a place for themselves here at GW, or perhaps decide that GW is not the place for them."

Granucci handled all daily management for the programs, oversaw training for student tour guides and passed along his love for GW to his peers. He said his favorite part of his duties as coordinator was the opportunity to work with so many students who represented the excitement he so loved about the university.

"This university is about making a difference and contributing to the greater good," Granucci said. "We are very fortunate to attend a university that is trying to have a global impact and become the best it can be. Not every institution of higher education is in the same position. Serving in such an enlightened community is an extraordinary blessing to have."

Alli Hoff





Christine French*

***inspired by service**

Since starting her first job at Village Point Cinema in Nebraska, Christine French focused her life on serving others. Her father demonstrated his commitment to others through his military service and her mother through community involvement, so French was destined to find her own way to serve her country.

As a freshman in the Women's Leadership Program, French aimed to discover her strengths and quickly realized her aptitude as a motivator and leader. Within this 18-person community, French learned public service could become a career. While volunteering with My Sister's Place, a D.C. domestic violence shelter, she discovered the satisfaction that comes from involvement.

"It was in that experience that I realized I could purse this as a career," French said.

During her sophomore year, French branched out to work with other service organizations. She staffed the Rape, Abuse and Incest National Network's (RAINN) hotline, giving free support to victims of sexual violence. Other service opportunities took French far beyond the GW bubble.

"Doing service allowed me an opportunity to see D.C.," French said. "Service allows you to do things that you normally wouldn't because you are too scared."

While working as a Teach for America recruiter on GW's campus, French learned firsthand about educational inequity throughout the country. French also worked as an aide to a Teach for America fifth grade teacher.

"In third grade, I remember my dad teaching me long division so that I would be ahead," French said. "These students in fifth grade had trouble doing basic addition."

French was one of five recipients of the 2009 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Award. The award highlighted members of the GW community who exhibited a commitment to service and leadership, as well as an understanding of diversity issues.

"It was cool to know that someone had noticed what I had done," French said. "It was an affirmation that I was doing good things and to keep going when at times I felt that my service was not enough, given the amount of need in D.C."

During her senior year, French was coordinator of the Neighbors Project's division of Intervention Services. As president of the Human Services Student Organization, she also mentored fellow Human Services majors, encouraging them to take on positions of leadership and to share their experiences.

French embodied Michelle Obama's 2010 service challenge. Dedicating time to the RAINN hotline and educating students about the achievement gap, she made a real difference at GW and beyond. **Katelyn Payne**

Alexis Cates*

***explorer of cultures and continents**

Alexis Cates moved into GW's Potomac Hall one year after Hurricane Katrina struck the southern coast of the United States. Raised in Mandeville, La., Cates was determined to educate her GW peers about the inequity experienced in New Orleans and the process of reconstruction that had started there. As she cooked jambalaya and red beans with rice, she never imagined how her role on campus would change over the next four years.

Cates came to Washington, D.C. for its political atmosphere. During her freshman and sophomore years, she was an intern on Capitol Hill and an active member of College Republicans. A Biology major and English minor, Cates decided as a junior to pursue a new brand of public serve.

In fall of 2008, Cates joined EMeRG, GW's student-run EMT service. Cates was part of the transition team when the group received its first ambulance in September 2008. Community members, local service providers and EMeRG members were on hand at the ambulance's dedication ceremony, a proud moment for Cates.

"It was really exciting to be part of the transition," she said. "It shaped us as a better provider from the scene to the hospital."

A year later, Cates was promoted to supervisor. During any given shift, she was in charge of monitoring two to four student staff members. Cates ensured that responders learned on the job, restocked medical supplies and kept the ambulance charged.

"Not only are you controlling what's going on the scene, it's about training other members for their promotion as well," Cates said of her role as shift supervisor.

Cates's dedication to providing first-rate care to GW students, staff and visitors was unwavering. She donated her time and knowledge of event medicine at various local celebrations, such as marathons, graduations and the 2009 Presidential Inauguration.

"It's fairly unpredictable," Cates said of emergency medicine. "You get everything from muscle cramps to cardiac arrest."

Cates was grateful for the clinical skills that EMeRG helped her develop and the friends she made. As a result of her EMeRG experience and particiption in various service initiatives, Cates planned to attend medical school after graduation. She hoped to ultimately return to Louisiana in pursuit of her early goal of helping communities there.

"Volunteering on EMeRG is physically and mentally demanding, but, in the end, extremely rewarding," she said. "We get the opportunity to help our community. I wouldn't trade my experience for anything. I am really glad I ended up going down this path."

Katelyn Payne





Corb * O'Connor

***friend of Phoenix**

If you saw Corbbmacc O'Connor walking down the street, chances were that you also saw Phoenix, a six-year-old yellow lab who acted as Corbb's eyes—his Seeing Eye Dog.

"Phoenix and I met in 2005," O'Connor said. "I had wanted a Seeing Eye Dog since I was eight years old and the summer between my junior and senior year of high school I went out to California to get him."

O'Connor was legally blind and did not have any peripheral vision, but could still see what an average person could see up to two or three feet ahead. He couldn't see to the side, below his nose or above his eyes and small print was blurry for him. Until he was matched up with Phoenix, O'Connor's sight depended on a cane.

"When I would travel with a cane I was always looking for obstacles, so it was hard for me to look up and say hi to people before they passed me," O'Connor said.

Phoenix was trained at a guide dog school called Guide Dogs for the Blind. In order to bring Phoenix home, O'Connor went through an tedious application process that included multiple interviews gauging his eligibility. O'Connor was matched with Phoenix within the first four days of training at a month-long program in California.

"The matching is unscientifically scientific!" O'Connor said. "It's a feelings-based program."

Although there were times when cabs passed O'Connor because they did not want to take a guide dog and times when he was not permitted to enter certain restaurants, he said he was fortunate to have Phoenix.

When in class, O'Connor, a political communications and economics major, used other methods to help him see. O'Connor used electronic textbooks, which were spoken or written in large type print so he did not have to strain his eyes.

"I pretty much swear by my laptop," O'Connor said. "I use it to take notes. It makes it easier for me to keep my eyes on the board."

O'Connor never allowed his blindness to hold him back. He worked with the National Federation for the Blind and as an intern for Senator Clinton, as well as for well-known media companies including Market Place Public Radio, Hard Ball with Chris Matthews and NBC with Pete Williams. In the spring of 2010, O'Connor was awarded the Larry King Scholarship, which provided financial aid to SMPA students.

O'Connor would finish up his classes in the fall of 2010, but, Phoenix would not accompany him.

"It is about time for him to retire," O'Connor said. "But once he does, he'll get to go live with my parents and my mom will just feed him chicken all the time. He'll love it!" **Natalie Kornicks**

Steven * Knapp

*an interview with President Knapp

Cherry Tree: What was the most memorable moment from 2010?
President Knapp: The most memorable moment was the snowball fight we had with Georgetown. There was a lot of spirit by our 200 students attacking Georgetown students in the blizzard.

CT: What is your proudest moment from the 2010 school year?
PK: We completed 163,980 hours of service and Michelle Obama was our Commencement speaker. The opportunity to have the first lady as your speaker is exciting. It is a proud accomplishment because of how effectively the student body pulled together to complete the task. It gave us the opportunity to highlight something that is true of the university culture—community service.

CT: Can you discuss the growth in academics at GW?
PK: We have gotten stronger every year. We've become more selective as an institution. It was our lowest rate of acceptance, which means the highest selectivity we've ever had.

CT: What GW sporting event sticks out for you?
PK: There were a couple of exciting sports this year. President Obama and the entire Obama family came to the Smith center for the men's basketball game against Oregon State. It was exciting. I think our students held up very well under the pressure of having such an important figure in the stands. The game we had after that was the battle for the Orange line. It was our rivalry with George Mason. We did go out and win that game!

CT: What is your favorite student life event on campus?
PK: The crazy midnight breakfast that we have in the fall before finals. I was one of the administrators serving breakfast. There were so many activities that filled up the Marvin Center in the middle of the night. It creates this vibrant atmosphere.

CT: Is there any advice you would like to leave the graduating seniors with?
PK: I hope students continue to be curious. The four years as an undergraduate are really just the beginning of your education. And if you can continue to keep that curiosity going, keep your mind open to new experiences and new ideas, keep reading and paying attention to the world around you, that will continue to enrich your life.

CT: When you were 10 years old, what did you want to be when you grew up?
PK: A musician.

CT: What is your favorite place in D.C.?
PK: The National Mall—everything from the steps of the Lincoln Memorial to the Reflecting Pool.

CT: How would you define tenacity?
PK: Tenacity to me means holding on tight, persevering, not being deterred from your purpose by any obstacles you meet.





Robert * Chernak

*an interview with Senior Vice President Chernak

Cherry Tree: What was the most memorable moment of the year?
Robert A. Chernak: The Obama challenge to log 100,000 service hours has gotten a lot of publicity. There's been a resurgence in Greek life. We've seen a rebound of our men's basketball program and I think that we're seeing hope for the future. We continue to have major entertainers and speakers. We've seen a lot of activity this year in terms of sustainability. We've had a lot of changes in personnel—we've had a couple of deans retire, we've had some new vice presidents. There are a lot of things I could look back on. Is there one item that sticks out in my mind? No, I can't think of just one.

CT: Do you have any advice to leave with graduating seniors?
RAC: What we've learned this year is that we have to start to think long-term about financial stability. It's important to start thinking about investment and retirement now while you have time—to not just think about surviving for the moment, but starting that process of thinking of how you build a portfolio of wealth. A lot of the social programs that my generation is used to receiving might not be in place as we know them. It's going to become incumbent on people to think about how they can take care of themselves.

CT: Are there certain qualities that you think that GW has instilled in the graduating class?
RAC: When we talk about GW instilling qualities, it isn't just the university that does that. It's segmented out by the types of activities and involvement that students have. It's the affiliation with a sorority, with a student organization. It's taking advantage of leadership opportunities. It's involving yourself in opportunities in experiential work and engaging in community service and taking advantage of what D.C. has to offer. As one thinks back on their experience, it'll be shaped by individual experiences. It's looking back on the relationships that one has had that instill an understanding about life and the experiences that get you to the next stage of your goals.

CT: Who do you think would win in a fight—the hippo or the Colonial?
RAC: In terms of our Spirit mascots, probably the Colonial because it's not inflatable. I think the hippo could—depending on what the tools of the fight were—be deflated, whereas the Colonial is a little bit more able to sustain injury.

CM: What did you want to be when you grew up when you were 10 years old?
RAC: I always felt that I had more athletic potential than I actually probably deserved. I envisioned myself, even if I couldn't participate in athletics, being involved in sports. That passion to be involved in the competitive arena is still part of my job here. A lot of us never really give up our dreams!

Larry * Lipman

***master of magic and media**

Larry Lipman had two passions: journalism and magic.

The part-time SMPA professor, who taught Introduction to Journalism, also headlined on weekends as a magician under the pseudonym Lorenzo the Great.

Lipman began doing magic at the age of 40 after his wife suggested that he put on a magic show for his nieces and nephews at a family gathering. As a member of a magic club, Lipman said he started hanging around more magicians and became more interested in magic. Eventually, he started getting paid to perform at birthday parties.

"Some of teaching is performing" Lipman said. "You're talking to a class or you're talking to an audience. It's the same skills. If you have stage fright, you can't perform in front of kids, even if they're 5 years old. In fact, some magicians are more afraid of the 5-year-olds."

Lipman started teaching at GW in 2004. He continued his journalism career, bringing his real-world experiences to his students. Lipman worked as a city beat reporter for Frederick-News Post, a reporter for the Orlando Sentinel, Cox's Washington bureau chief for the Palm Beach Post and an editor for AARP. He was also the president of the National Press Club in 1999.

"I think I brought some authenticity," Lipman said. "I could say, this is reality or this is not reality, and this is what reporters actually go through."

Ash McDaniel





Kerric * Harvey

*renaissance woman

Dressed in full Hogwarts regalia and with a stuffed Hedwig perched on her arm, Dr. Kerric Harvey looked like she belonged on platform 9 ¾ rather than in a classroom. The outfit was not her usual dress, but Harvey donned the costume once every semester in all her classes. Her aim was for students to look at the world around them differently.

"What I try to do is use information and imagination in my classes," Harvey said. "Albert Einstein said, 'Imagination is more important than knowledge, because knowledge is limited and imagination is endless.'"

Harvey was a professor in the School of Media and Public Affairs who taught many different classes, including Research Methods, Innovation in Electric Media and scriptwriting. Though very different subjects, all her classes shared one theme—curiosity.

"That's the secret key to life—don't look for the answers because the answers are going to change," Harvey said. "The key to life, which I tried to teach in my class, is look for the right questions for where you are right now. Answers are about information, but questions are about imagination."

When Harvey traveled to D.C. in 1972, she said she discovered her first love. She stayed for a few years in the District, but would travel the globe before finding her home in Foggy Bottom at GW.

"I wanted to see as much of the world as I could," Harvey said. "I'm a citizen of the world."

As a traveling junkie, Harvey left her native home of Massachusetts for England, New Zealand, the south of France and Iceland, among others. She visited Ireland multiple times to work on communications research. Harvey said that life is about adventure, and for her travel is a main part of that.

While a tenured SMPA professor since 1996, Harvey's career history resembled that of a renaissance woman. Besides professor, Harvey has also called herself a playwright, a reporter for a Native American newspaper, a documentarian and even a deckhand on the Waterfront in D.C. when she was in her early twenties.

"I have such a wide range of interests," Harvey said. "The world is such an interesting place."

When flying across the globe or teaching at GW, Harvey tried to get her students to take time to look at the world around them.

"I never get tired of looking," she said. "The more variety, the better the life." **Ash McDaniel**

Michele Clark*

***more than just a professor**

While picnicking on the beach one Saturday afternoon in Haifa, Israel in the 90's, Michele Clark met a young woman who had been trafficked from the Ukraine.

"It was the story we now all recognize—young children to feed, elderly parents to care for, an absentee husband, no job, no money, no prospects," Clark said. "A friend offered her a job as a waitress at a resort in Israel but, instead, she is brutally forced into prostitution."

As the daughter of a U.S. diplomat who had lived in 16 countries and traveled to over 60 countries, Clark had seen a lot in her lifetime, but she said she had never seen anything like this.

"In that moment, something seemed horribly wrong with the world," she said. "By knowing about the problem and doing nothing to stop it, I was just as much to blame. I had to do something."

In 2000, the U.S. passed the Trafficking Victim's Protection Act, bringing global attention to human trafficking. The United Nations also introduced their Human Trafficking Protocol. Since many countries still did not admit they had a problem, Clark traveled to several nations to turn anecdotal evidence about trafficking into facts, documenting the problem.

"I have negotiated the prices of young children in the Amazon city of Iquitos, traveled Peru with Freddy the Pimp, spent the night in homeless shelters in Bulgaria and walked the streets with prostituted children in many world capitals, all to be able to document what was going on in order to bring the power of the law to bear upon the criminals. Most importantly, to bring freedom and hope," Clark said.

While working to make trafficking an issue the world could identify with, Clark also worked to bring the world back to her students at GW. Clark taught three human rights courses.

"As a teacher, one of my goals is to be a safe place for thinking, creating and exploring, right up there with presenting compelling aspects of international affairs in an intellectually challenging manner," she said. "I want to make the world come alive, to step out of the theory books and make it a real place, full of real problems that the students can identify with."

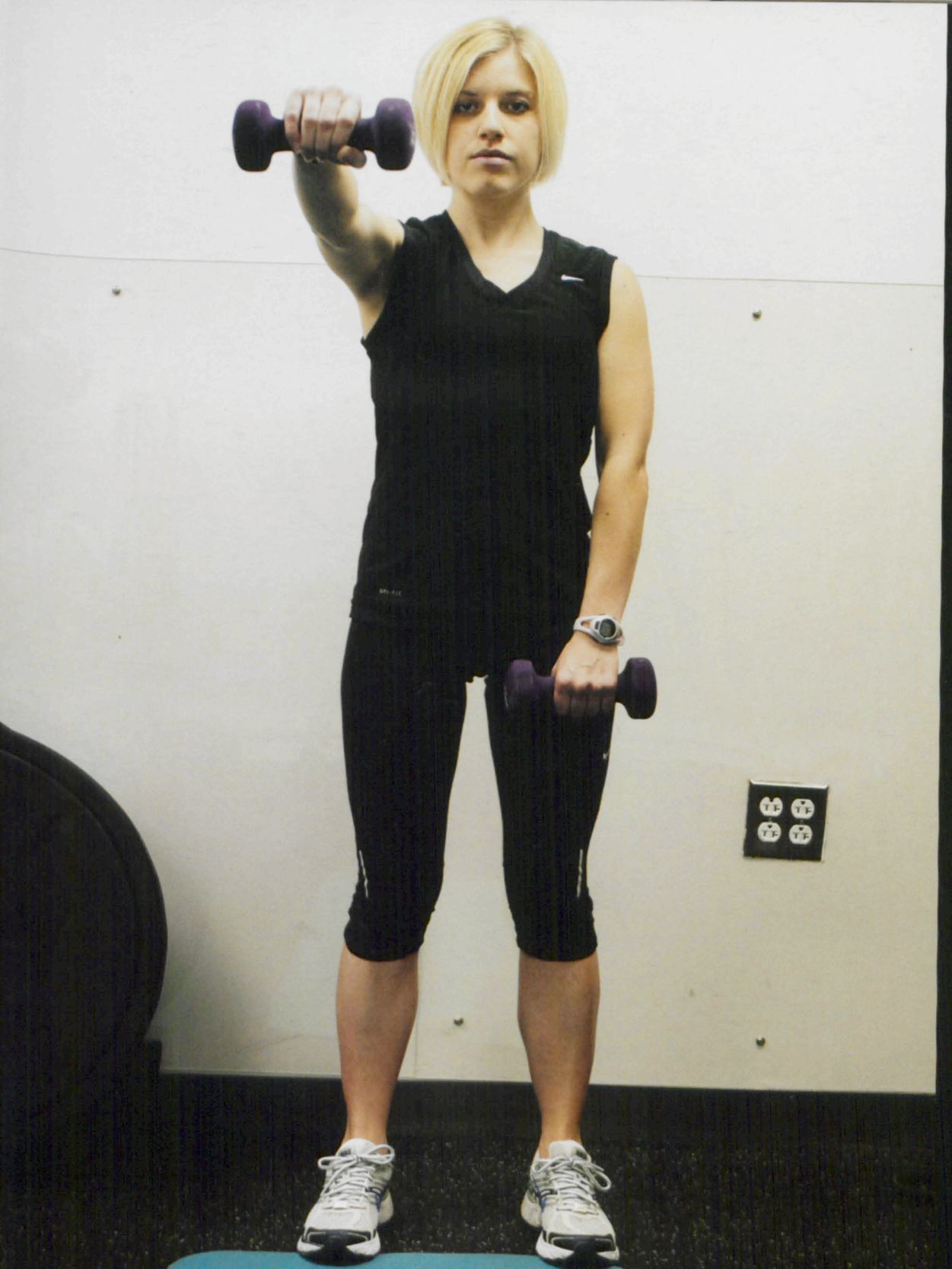
Realizing the challenge that students faced in balancing their love of learning with the pressures of the professional world, Clark encouraged students to think deeply about what they learned and pushed them to express what they believed about injustice.

Clark was not only a teacher, but also a human rights advocate, field researcher, writer, photographer and friend.

"Bottom line, I am crazy about my students," Clark said.

Natalie Kornicks





Erin * Glasgow

*professornal trainer

Motivated to stay fit even with their hectic schedules, some GW students were ambitious enough to enroll in Erin Glasgow's cardio conditioning class. The 24-year-old from Aaronsburg, Pa. guaranteed her students that each class would target different muscles and keep their heart rates up.

Inspired by her own high school strength and conditioning coach, Glasgow ensured students experienced a dynamic workout. Since she was determined to make it to state-level competitions in track and field during her senior year in high school, Glasgow knew the real benefits of lifting weights and having a fitness program.

"He helped me reach my goal and inspired me to become a personal trainer," Glasgow said of her trainer. "I thought that maybe I could help other athletes reach their goals."

After being certified as a personal trainer and finding limited training jobs in Pennsylvania, Glasgow moved to Germantown, Md. Working long hours and on weekends, she said she learned a lot, but discovered the personal training field was not something she wanted to pursue long-term. After meeting with the director of GW's strength and conditioning program, she knew she would soon find herself a resident of Foggy Bottom.

"I'm happy to be back as a student," Glasgow said. "I'm enjoying the different aspects of it – taking classes, personally training and teaching classes."

As an undergraduate kinesiology major at Penn State, Glasgow learned about the importance of overall wellness in meeting fitness goals. Glasgow shared these lessons with GW exercise science majors by teaching a new three-credit course in Functional Fitness.

"We use K Gym for demonstrations," Glasgow said. "If we are talking about flexibility and strengthening, we can apply what we are learning in the classroom by using it in the gym."

Glasgow also co-instructed a group fitness class in the Lerner Health and Wellness Center. Free to all GW students, extreme training classes were designed to increase strength, endurance and agility of all participants. Glasgow taught BOSU Core, which utilized gym equipment to increase core stability and obtain a full body workout. A group of 41 students once showed up to her extreme training class.

"You have to improvise constantly," she said of having to adjust working routines to high attendance. "You just have fun with it and provide the best workout."

Glasgow looked back on her first year at GW as a real success. Her love for teaching grew as she saw her students excel academically and reach their fitness goals. After graduation, Glasgow hoped to become a professor.

Katelyn Payne

Steve * Hilmy

***sound + vision**

Steve Hilmy was not a typical professor. With wavy, blond hair pulled back in a ponytail and a tattoo that spanned the length of his right arm, he was not exactly representative of the stuffy brainiac most called to mind when picturing a college instructor. Nonetheless, Hilmy inspired scores of students to produce original compositions and helped them find their creative outlet in his favorite field – weird and experimental electronic music.

Hilmy, a professor in the Music Department, had been teaching at GW for 18 years in 2010. His course, Electronic and Computer Music, always reached capacity because of its appeal to a wide range of students with diverse backgrounds.

"The wonderful thing about my class is that there are no prerequisites," Hilmy said. "There are music majors and there are also people who don't know how to read music or deal with the technology. Anyone can come in here, and no matter what their previous experience is with this stuff, they will be able to write a piece of music by the end of the year."

Hilmy transformed his Phillips Hall basement office into a studio, complete with recording equipment, synthesizers and gigantic speakers. It was here that his students learned the fundamentals of electronic music and eventually created their own unique and experimental compositions. All of this culminated with an end of the year concert in the Marvin Center, during which students paired their pieces with visual and performing elements.

"I wanted them to have had the experience of expressing themselves," Hilmy said. "Many students had no creative outlets and they found it here. I think they appreciated that and realized that creativity is an important thing to carry with you."

And there was no better creativity teacher than Hilmy. Born in Aberdeen, Scotland, Hilmy got his start with music at the age of seven when he learned to play the violin. It was then he realized music was his calling. Classically trained at the Peabody Conservatory, Hilmy went on to play in string quartets and jazz bands until he found his knack for electronic music in the '80s.

"I love this genre of music because it keeps changing every year," Hilmy said. "The technology gets different and the students' ability to interact with technology gets different, so I learned something new every time I came to class." **Joseph Raser**





Alvin * Felzenberg

***first fan**

Alvin Felzenberg knew his presidents. His passion and knowledge for our America's commanders-in-chief was apparent to anyone who interacted with him, and his pursuit of better scholarship about the office gave students the opportunity to truly assess the performance of their leaders.

"Whether you like or disapprove of any particular president, there is no doubt that they hold the strongest, most important job in the world," Felzenberg said. "We need to know what kinds of people we are trusting with incredible amounts of power and that's why it is an extremely important and fascinating field to study."

Felzenberg, a proud son of New Jersey, taught Presidents and Their Role in Foreign Policy and Presidential Rhetoric as an adjunct professor with the Elliot School of International Affairs. Before arriving at GW in 2007, he was no stranger to the D.C. political scene. He worked on Capitol Hill as a senior staffer for a decade, served as an adviser under two presidential administrations and was the spokesman for the 9/11 commission.

"At this stage in my career I think I am a better teacher because I can give something back," Felzenberg said of his decision to return to the private sector. "I have perspective because I actually did what I'm teaching, and that's often a rarity in academia."

The authenticity that Felzenberg brought to the classroom made his courses unique. Students used his insights to read a presidential speech and understand its meaning, discover political gaffes and predict how they would be fixed and effectively analyze past policies in order to apply them to contemporary challenges.

Felzenberg's distinctive teaching style struck a chord with many undergraduates. He connected with students by delivering lectures in a sort of historical prose, with bits of his own brand of humor peppered in to keep his audiences engaged. Classes were also centered around discussions, with Felzenberg encouraging exchanges between classmates and inviting students to challenge his positions.

"I want my students to walk away with a new perspective on how to assess these people," Felzenberg said. "I would like them to come out learning how to make informed opinions and be able to back up the arguments that they make. I like them to disagree with me. I want them to challenge me. That's what I think education should be about." **Joseph Raser**

Jennifer * Sieck

***always animated**

"Come on down to "South Park" and meet some friends of mine."

This catchy line from the comically crude animated show was a favorite of Professor Jennifer Sieck. The computer science teacher spent three seasons working on "South Park" before coming to GW and boasted a professional history spanning multiple fields.

Sieck joined the "South Park" team in 1998 as a technical director. The irreverent animated program was only in its second season, but offered a dream job for Sieck because of its inviting atmosphere and energetic staff.

"Believe it or not there are a lot of Christians that work there," Sieck said with a laugh. "There were just all kinds of people. They really wanted people with great personalities and those that were tolerant."

Sieck spent three seasons with the show, including work on the film "Bigger, Longer and Uncut."

"I got to show George Clooney how to animate," Sieck said. "It was a great experience."

Sieck's background was in medical illustration. She animated 3-D simulators that medical students used to imitate operating on patients. While Sieck said she was more of a creative artist, she added that her degree from Rochester Institute of Technology had required a full course load of anatomy classes.

"I always said I like to dissect dead things," Sieck said.

Sieck also spent time working for JVC and Electronic Arts, where she developed computer games. At GW, Sieck spent her time in the School of Engineering and Applied Science teaching design animation class. She called animation a great mix of science and creativity.

"In animation, the artist has to become more technical and vice versa," Sieck said.

Sieck used her bubbly personality to make her classes lively and more interesting.

"We joke around in class," Sieck said. "I try to keep things light. We have every type of student—business, psychology. They've all had fun here."

Ash McDaniel





Lisa * Benton-Short

*urban activist

Associate Professor of Geography Lisa Benton-Short awakened GW students to the interconnectedness of regional societies and cultures. With a Ph.D. in geography from Syracuse University, she understood how important it was for students not only to recall the locations of megacities, but to understand global linkage and inequality.

"GW students, to me, are amazingly interested in the wider world," Benton-Short said. "As a geographer, I am here to help GW students become more geographically literate."

Teaching undergraduate and graduate classes, Benton-Short shared her interest in urban environments and human migration patterns, always emphasizing globalization. She believed lessons from the classroom could extend to the wider world and encouraged students to become global stewards.

Benton-Short was asked to join the GW Presidential Sustainability Task Force in the fall of 2007. Energized by President Knapp's drive to make GW a leader in sustainability, the geographer joined faculty, students and staff in a campus-wide initiative to make GW green.

"It is just an exciting time to be at GW because of this commitment to sustainability," Benton-Short said. "The faculty is motivated by President Knapp and ready to provide the teaching component to sustainability."

Looking beyond Foggy Bottom to preserve the natural environment in cities, Benton-Short did not have to go far. She supported initiatives of The National Coalition to Save Our Mall, a public advocacy group that fought for better planning and public inclusiveness on the National Mall. Puzzled by society's inclination to construct monuments and memorials while losing community space, she planned to author a book of alternative views on monuments and parks in urban planning.

"There is a real tension between our desire to commemorate and the loss of green open space," Benton-Short explained. "The decision to build the World War II memorial was made behind closed doors."

While Benton-Short gave generously of her talents as a geographer, she was also committed to community service. Every other Sunday, the professor could be found at Metro Ferals spaying cats and kittens.

"I teach and I never know if I am getting through to my students, but I can go to the clinic and spay a hundred cats," she said. "That's when I feel a sense of real accomplishment."

As she taught students about broad and far-reaching concepts, Benton-Short focused on improving the communities in which she lived and worked. Through her teaching and research, she demonstrated a commitment to transforming cities.

Katelyn Payne

David *Earl

***voice of the Colonials**

The voice of Colonials basketball was also a GW alumnus who gave meaning to the slogan, "I Bleed Buff and Blue." David Earl graduated with a major in political communication in 2009. As an undergraduate, he followed the GW basketball team as a correspondent with WRGW.

"The [athletic] staff was always wonderful and helpful to me as a student radio broadcaster," Earl said. "They never took away the inflatable whale I'd bring [to games] during the 2005-2006 season to recognize Pops Mensah-Bonsu, whose name means 'King Whale Killer.'"

Earl was offered a job as New Media Planner in Colonials Sports Marketing, where he not only was the announcer at basketball games, but also worked with promotions and general operations to get the game ready to go.

"I had no idea just how many people it takes to make a college basketball game happen," he said.

Earl admitted that he was nervous when he first got started, but eventually picked up a natural rhythm. He added that it was a lot of responsibility, but also a lot of fun.

"It's so important to make sure that fans don't lose their energy during time outs and half-time, and our staff works incredibly hard to make sure that there's always something to keep the crowd moving or having fun," Earl said of being an announcer.

"There's nothing like believing in what you do for a living and I really, truly love Colonials athletics," Earl said. "I work hard, but I'm so proud to do my part for my alma mater." **Andrew Elwell**





Greg Shaffer

*soul man

With his habitual blogging and tweeting, Father Greg Shaffer of the Newman Catholic Center was not an ordinary priest. Shaffer was technologically savvy and brought a "young at heart" energy to GW's Catholic students.

"God's given me a gift," Father Greg said. "I'm young at heart and have tried to give all I have."

After graduating from the University of Maryland, Father Greg served as a high school youth group leader in Silver Spring, Md. In the summer of 2009, the Maryland native was asked to work with the GW community in the heart of Washington.

Shaffer said that being at GW was a great experience, but that many obstacles existed in bringing students to church. Though a group of students regularly attended Mass, there was still a large Catholic population that was absent.

"My challenge was just getting them to come out," Father Greg said. "That's where the new media comes into play. The blog started for people that don't come to Mass and, while it isn't a substitute for church, it's a good start."

The blogging priest said he wanted students to have every opportunity to worship and share in their faith. In addition to blogged sermons, the Newman Center offered daily Masses, Tuesday night dinners and prayer sessions.

Shaffer led group discussions in residential dorms and other campus locations, including the Marvin Center.

"If students couldn't come out to us, then the Church came out to you," Father Greg said. "If the students want a discussion, then I make it happen."

Father Greg was also an avid Colonials sports fan and attended nearly every game to which a student invited him.

"If I know people have games, then I tried to go out to where they are, just like a parent would," Father Greg said. "The Newman Center is like a home away from home to students."

Father Greg didn't always watch from the sidelines. He himself had a competitive side and played golf every Thursday. Shaffer also participated in a D.C. priest basketball league called D.C. Hood—which was short for priesthood.

"You can still have fun and be a priest," Father Greg said.

When not blogging or out on the basketball courts, Father Greg said he enjoyed spending time with students.

"I was there for spiritual direction and counseling," he said. "I just loved working with young people. That's why I was there."

Katelyn Payne

Cliff* Wilson

*people mover

As the sun rose over the Foggy Bottom campus, Cliff Wilson sat behind the wheel of The Vern Express during its trip across campus. The 57-year-old driver was one of the many Express drivers charged with safely shuttling students between GW's Foggy Bottom and Mount Vernon campuses.

Wilson's day began early as he transported students heading to their morning classes and meetings on the two campuses. As students boarded The Vern Express, Wilson nodded his head and said hello to the familiar faces that had become a part of his routine.

"It's a pleasure to see so many familiar faces," Wilson said of his riders. "I've made some good friends, and I enjoy shooting the breeze with them."

As Wilson got ready to close the bus doors and begin his drive, like clockwork, students ran to catch the shuttle before it left. Always looking out for students, Wilson would open his doors and help students ensure they made it to class on time.

Wilson and other Express drivers were an integral part of campus life. Students spent time getting to know drivers like Wilson during their many trips. Wilson enjoyed learning about the students as he drove, striking up conversations and asking about their studies.

Things weren't always easy for the two-year veteran driver. One day, as the Express rumbled down the Whitehurst Freeway, a small truck attempted to cross into Wilson's lane unexpectedly. Luckily, no one was hurt and Wilson quickly got back to his routine, but not without a little apprehension.

"It was certainly a 'whoa' moment," Wilson said.

When the epic snow week of 2010 arrived, Wilson had his hands full. While he pointed out that the buses were big, which helped give them more traction, the dreadful weather still forced drivers to exercise even more care than usual. The snow caused delays and interrupted service, but Wilson didn't back down from the challenge.

"It makes my day," he said. "It's never dull." Andrew Elwell





Kris * Hart

***fobogrownup**

When Kris Hart first set foot in Foggy Bottom, he had no idea of the impact he would one day make.

The Springfield, Pa. native graduated from GW in 2005 with degrees in business, economics and public policy. After graduation, he was known for his ownership of Relaxed Spa and Foggy Bottom Grocery, affectionately known to students as FoBoGro.

"I was particularly attracted to the fact that GW was very integrated in the city and that the community was full of energy and fun," Hart said of his decision to come to GW.

The lure of a political career also drew Hart to D.C., but he learned during his junior-year run as SA President that the field was not for him. Realizing he would make a better businessman, Hart looked for an opportunity to jumpstart a new business, in spite of his lack of experience and money.

When a friend suggested that Hart open a tanning salon on campus, he quickly laughed the idea off. After talking to students, however, Hart realized the suggestion was a viable option and quickly got to work.

"I wrote a business proposal, went to 11 banks, looked at 36 different locations and struggled for a year to make it a reality," he said.

In March of 2006, Hart's dream was realized when Relaxed Tans opened on F Street. A hotspot for GW students looking to keep their summer tan all year long, Relaxed succeeded financially and expanded its services to include manicures, pedicures and facial treatments in 2008.

"Every day brings something new," Hart said. "There is always a challenge, but I have met and made great friends with over 35 staffers in the last four years."

Impressed by Hart's work at Relaxed, Foggy Bottom Grocery owner Meseret Bekele approached the young entrepreneur with the idea of selling the grocery business to him. Hart, immediately jumped at the opportunity. The road to purchasing, remodeling and reopening the business was a difficult one, but Hart was confident that the new and improved FoBoGro would be a success.

Hart's hard work paid off with his successful business operation in Foggy Bottom. He said that his time at GW increased his appreciation for Foggy Bottom and Washington, D.C.— an appreciation that was reflected in his work.

"I love the people, the opportunity, the historical significance around us," Hart said of the city.

Motivated to give back to the neighborhood and school that gave him so much, Hart made himself as much of a Foggy Bottom fixture as Relaxed and FoBoGro.

Katelyn Payne

Liz * Morgan

***bookseller**

Liz Morgan loved her job. As the customer service manager for the GW Bookstore, she made it her mission to engage everyone who walked through the shop's doors in the basement of the Marvin Center and always greeted visitors with a welcoming smile.

"Interacting with customers and meeting new people was always the best part of my day," Morgan said. "It was exciting to see students who were thinking about coming to GW wander around the store and know that your experience with them may have influenced their decision to come to the university."

Although she had become a Colonial at heart, Morgan wasn't always so fond of the buff and blue. Born and raised in Massachusetts, Morgan attended St. Joseph's University in Philadelphia, where she consistently rooted for GW's Atlantic 10 rival, the SJU Hawks.

After graduation, Morgan started working at the SJU bookstore. The store was operated by Follett Corporation, the same company that managed GW's own shop. In November of 2009, an opening appeared at GW and Morgan jumped at the chance to work in the nation's capital.

"I love this city because there is so much going on here," Morgan said as she described her experience moving to the District. "It's a very young city so there is always something to do. And nothing beats the free events that happen all over D.C. throughout the year."

Although Morgan was a fairly new addition to the GW community, she left her mark on the university. Whether it was through the warm smile she gave to students entering the store, the genial manner in which she treated her customers, or the patience and support she passed on to the countless student employees that she trained, Morgan's kindness brightened the days of everyone she met.

Joseph Raser





Josh Bartell

***kindergarten teacher turned campus mentor**

Campus involvement was not new to Josh Bartell. As an undergraduate at Baldwin-Wallace College in Ohio, Bartell was deeply connected to the student body through the executive board positions he held in his fraternity. He said his transition to GW as a graduate student was effortless because he already knew he could make a difference.

After receiving a degree in early childhood education, Bartell spent two years teaching kindergarten. When the school closed unexpectedly, he saw it as a signal for him to move on to something new and was attracted to the diversity and openness of Washington, D.C. Steadfast in his pursuit of education, he enrolled in GW's Graduate School of Education and Human Development.

"The type of natural diversity and excitement that exist in this city are unmatched and the potential for once-in-a-lifetime experiences really helped solidify my choice," Bartell said.

The Cleveland native applied to GW Housing Programs and was selected as one of nine graduate students to be a House Mentor. Living among fraternity and sorority members in International House, he guided students through their final years at GW, aided by his own experience with Greek life.

Bartell learned of a position being created in the newly established LGBT Resource Center from his residents. After finalizing plans with the director of the resource center, Bartell started interning in the Marvin Center office.

"Working in the Resource Center allowed me the opportunity to fill a unique role in someone's life as they find their place in the LGBT community," he said.

Focused on identity development, the LGBT Resource Center promoted greater awareness and acceptance of the LGBT community and connected students to on-campus and community resources. Throughout the 2009-2010 school year, the Center hosted Glee Nights, Coming Out 101 and an LGBT History Film Series. All GW students could also undergo Safe Zone training through the Center.

In his position as Assistant Program Coordinator, Bartell advised 15 to 20 students per week on aspects of personal and social development. He also proposed an LGBT mentoring program and began educating GW alumni about the new office.

"Challenging and helping students, faculty and staff to really open their minds and gain a greater appreciation of not only the LGBT community, but also the more inclusive meaning of diversity, has been an unexpected reward of this position," Bartell said.

Bartell was pleased to be a part of the movement toward greater inclusiveness at GW.

Katelyn Payne

Isaac * Agbeshie-Noye

***I street superman**

Isaac Agbeshie-Noye did not need a map for his first day on the job at GW. A native of Hyattsville, Md., Agbeshie-Noye grew up in Foggy Bottom. Members of his family worked at the university for over 40 years before he had his own opportunity to bring innovation and excitement to GW's campus.

"GW has a very special place in my life," Agbeshie-Noye said.

Agbeshie-Noye completed his education at the University of Virginia in 2006 and found he was destined to make a difference through higher education. He began his endeavors coordinating Mount Vernon's Wacky Wednesdays and advising the Mount Vernon Programming Council. Understanding the value of one-on-one interactions with students, Agbeshie-Noye took on the role of Community Director, supervising the affairs of JBKO, Munson and West End.

"I get to contribute my little piece—making people love it here," he said.

While he didn't always see students at their best, Agbeshie-Noye realized that he had a gift. He provided students with advice and guidance. Between behavioral interventions, parent phone calls, community initiatives and grocery shopping, there was never a dull moment working in residential life. Each moment for Agbeshie-Noye gave special meaning to his career in higher education.

Though working for GW Housing Programs consumed the majority of his hours, Agbeshie-Noye felt his mission did not end on I Street. He advised the Black Student Union, five of GW's Living and Learning Communities and judged the Step Show. Agbeshie-Noye also revitalized GWHP's Tutoring program. Agbeshie-Noye was present at most GW events in one of his multiple capacities.

"It's popping in here," Agbeshie-Noye said of the pandemonium that shook the Smith Center during Maroon 5's performance. "Let's get the party started."

Agbeshie-Noye took advantage of all the opportunities that came with living in the nation's capital. He fed his musical tastes and inquisitive eye by attending shows and exploring the Smithsonian. He watched the Wizards, Nationals and the Colonials. Agbeshie-Noye related to the students he served by adopting D.C. as his hometown.

"I am a believer of working in this job and bringing yourself into the job," he said. "I am impressed with how my staff has done this. They make the job what it is."

Agbeshie-Noye pursued his Ph.D in Higher Education Administration at GW. Living, working and learning in Foggy Bottom, Agbeshie-Noye gave 110 percent of himself to his staff, colleagues and to GW.

Katelyn Payne





Darryl * Queen

*G Dub's finest

Much had changed since Darryl Queen began his career as a security officer at GW Police Department at the age of 19. By 2010-- six years later--Queen had been promoted to corporal and supervisor of the morning shift.

After being advanced to master patrol officer, Queen's duties as a UPD officer skyrocketed. His favorite aspect of the role was bettering rapport with other officers by serving as their guide.

"I'm a tutor on the streets for rookie officers," Queen said.

Queen did more for the GW community than was in his job description. In addition to serving as an Adopt-an-Officer, Queen played intramural sports with his fellow officers and instructed Rape Aggression Defense (RAD) classes.

Taught by volunteers from UPD, RAD classes were designed to teach women to defend themselves in case of an attack. Classes were held on weekends throughout the academic year. Attendance was at its highest in 2009.

"This is something we try to promote here, especially since GW is an open campus," Queen said.

All prospective instructors for the RAD program underwent a rigorous training. At the end of each 12-hour class, students participated in a simulation using their new skills.

"I had to lie on the ground, while six huge men held me down," Queen said. "I used the techniques I had learned in the class to defend myself. You can feel how much someone can be affected by just participating in the simulation."

After perfecting the techniques, Queen made it his mission to teach the important women in his life how to defend themselves. One by one, he taught his fiancée, sister, grandmother and mother the martial arts tactics he had acquired.

"I have a lot of women in my family," Queen said. "I thought they could all benefit by learning the techniques and being reminded of prevention tips."

A New Orleans Saints and Los Angeles Lakers fan, the UPD officer played intramural football and basketball. Queen realized participating in intramural sports was a great way to connect with students. UPD sports enthusiasts disguised themselves under team names like Unit 1, Chocolate Rain and the Nuggets.

"It's all about the competitive atmosphere, especially when students first realize that they are playing UPD," Queen said.

Motivated by the new relationships he built with students by participating in on-campus initiatives, Queen excelled as a UPD officer. As a resource for students, Queen was approachable and answered questions about alcohol policy and general protocol, while engaging in meaningful conversations. **Katelyn Payne**

Joe* Deli

***explorer of cultures and continents**

GW students knew the GW Deli was much more than the average lunch establishment. The deli was a neighborhood icon. It opened in 1945, but it wasn't until 1983 that the famous face of the Deli took over. Simply known as Joe or "Joe Deli", the Washington, D.C. area native was rough around the edges, but was a campus and neighborhood legend.

"I run the entire business," Joe said. "Without me, they're not going to do this"

Though he was not the Deli's owner, Joe did it all, haggling with vendors for the best prices, stocking the shelves and handling any task necessary to keep customers pouring in.

"I haven't missed a single day in 27 years," he said.

From the time customers made their way to the deli counter until the time they bid farewell to Joe at the register, they came to expect personal and friendly service. The Deli's nine employees showed their care for the customers.

"There's a lot of people that talk to the customer," Joe said. "And they don't care. They're just bullshitting. They're saying 'How you doing?' You know what? I care. You wouldn't believe how many people I know".

Joe prided himself on his ability to strike up a conversation with anyone who walked in.

"I can talk to anybody," he said with a laugh.

Joe was also responsible for maintaining the deli's huge stores of food.

"I buy $20,000 a week in product," he said. "Look how many different kinds of Luna Bars I've got! Seven! Seven different kinds! You won't get that at CVS!"

Since Joe had started running the show, much had changed and the menu expanded. Newer selections included the steak and cheese, the brisket sandwich, the pulled barbeque chicken and the pot roast—the crown jewel of the sandwich kingdom. It required an incredible amount of work to produce such delicious food.

"I put my life and blood into this more than anybody," Joe said.

Corey Lewin





Katie * Bean

*true to her tattoo

Fourteen teams were competing in GW's Second Annual Mix-Off in University Yard on April 14. Katie Bean, the Assistant Director of the Center for Alcohol Drug and Education (CADE), was at the center of the festivities encouraging students to vote for their favorite tasty drinks and pick up informational brochures.

"Each group creates their own signature cocktail – non-alcoholic, of course," Bean said. "By creating palm cards, as well, students become engaged in their own alcohol education. It shows us what is important to the student body."

Bean had been involved in student affairs since her own college years as a peer educator at Millersville University. Although she studied criminal psychology as an undergraduate, Bean earned a Masters degree in student affairs in higher education to focus on prevention work.

"I wanted to work out of a jail cell," Bean said. "I was fully into it, but things changed after we conducted interviews with murderers for an assignment. I was nervous and realized that I can't help people if I am afraid of them."

In her capacity at GW, Bean helped students become better decision makers. CADE's "BeWiser" campaign encouraged students to make the same intelligent decisions when out partying as they did in the classroom and at work. Since she trhived on student interaction, Bean embraced the change of scenery when CADE moved its office into GW's largest freshman hall.

"It can be a little difficult to get work done in the rowdy environment that is Thurston, but I enjoy foot traffic from students who just come into the office to say 'hi'," she said.

Bean spent Thursday nights coordinating the Natural High Series—an alternative programming initiative—in Thurston. She knew these programs were great opportunities to reach out to students.

"I am very lucky to be one of the few people who love their job," Bean said. "I'm glad to be part of students' lives."

A tattoo quoting Mahatma Gandhi—"You must be the change you wish to see in the world"— was a constant reminder for Bean of the mindset in which she hoped to live her life.

"That's what I do as the Assistant Director of CADE, as the adviser to the peer educators and as Katie Bean the person," she said.

An avid reader and Philadelphia Eagles fan, Bean worked to help students be successful in college and in life, showing them how they, too, could be the change they wished to see in the world.

Katelyn Payne



Greek Life

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Greek Life

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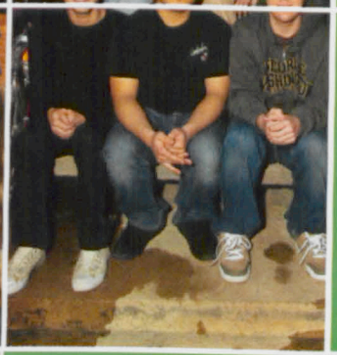


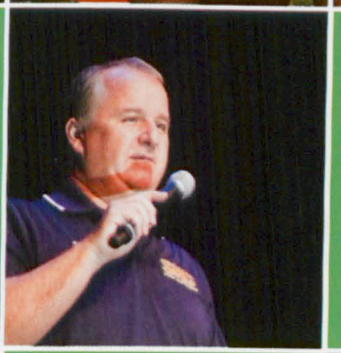


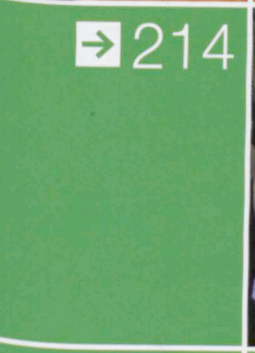









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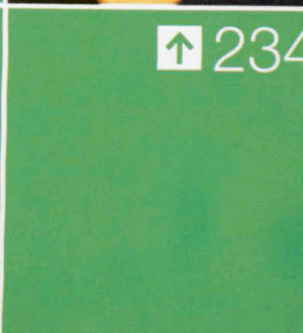

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DEAN HARWOOD

Ten Questions

For Director of Greek Life Dean Harwood, Greek life was central to campus. His demanding schedule called for him to oversee the Inter-Fraternity Council, the Panhellenic Association and the Multicultural Greek Council.

"I have no typical schedule," Harwood said. "Every day is unique—some of them are relatively short, and some days [I am] running from nine in the morning to midnight."

From chapters to advisers, to alumni and universities, Harwood and his assistants Keona Wiggins and Margaret Collerd served as common communicators in all Greek-related issues.

Beloved by sororities and fraternities alike, Harwood acted as a mentor, liaison and friend. He could be spotted at most every Greek event making sure things ran smoothly, with a smile always on his face.

Natalie Kornicks

1 - Were you a part of Greek life in college?

Yes, I was in the Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity at Tri-State University.

2 - What is your favorite part of your job?

It's not boring and I never do the same thing

3 - Why did you decide to work at GW?

It was the right job, in the right place, at the right time.

4 - What is your favorite Greek event?

My favorite Greek event is the Greek Night of Achievement.

5 - What is your record for number of Greek events attended in one day?

Some days I attend up to three or four Greek Life events.

6 - Do you have any children in Greek life?

No, but I have a niece who just joined Phi Mu at Ball State.

7 - What is your best Greek memory from college?

Nothing that I can share with The Cherry Tree...

8 - What do you think of Greek stereotypes?

The only way to judge Greek life is to get to know it on a particular campus.

9 - The theme for 2009's Greek Week was superheroes. If you were a superhero, which one would you be?

I would be Superman.

10 - Do you ever feel like you're back in college?

Not exactly. My college experience was completely different than GW.

STRENGTH IN NUMBERS

Recruitment numbers rose as more women than ever joined sororities

Ten. The number of fingers on the human hands, bowling pins in an alley, sides to a decagon and Panhellenic sororities at GW in 2009. With more sororities than GW had ever seen, Panhellenic recruitment was at its most intense in September of 2009. The Recruitment process resulted in the addition of over 2,000 undergraduate women to the campus Greek community.

While the rest of the school slept, partied and studied their way through a weekend of rest and relaxation, over 600 women familiarized themselves with the members of each sorority in only four short days of Recruitment parties in the Marvin Center. While prospective sorority members had attended nine parties the first day, seven the second day, and five the third day in previous years, 2009's class of Potential New Members (PNMs) went to ten parties the first day, eight the second day and five the third day. This change left several girls with the difficult decision of choosing three sororities to drop before preference night, which was more than half of the parties they attended the day before. Initiated members and Potential New Members alike pondered over their decisions about which girls to offer bids and what sorority best suited their interests and personalities.

Sororities set themselves apart during Recruitment with the various themes they used during party rounds. Recruitment Counselors, known as RoCos, helped their assigned group of PNMs to remember which theme each sorority had represented on a specific day. Additionally, RoCos were available to PNMs at all hours of Recruitment weekend to act as mentors and give advice.

Although there were more sororities recruiting in 2009 than ever before, several chapters acquired the largest pledge classes in their history. A total of 386 women received bids— a 14 percent increase from 2008—giving meaning to the phrase "there is strength in numbers."

Natalie Kornicks




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ΑΔΠ

(Alpha Delta Pi)

As the first secret society in the world for college women, Alpha Delta Pi was proud to call itself the "First and Finest." The chapter prospered in the years after its two-decade absence from campus and was recognized in the top ten percent of all chapters of ADPi nationally. The chapter also received the Gold Award—the highest award offered to GW Greek organizations—every year that the award was presented. Among other criteria, the Gold Award acknowledged philanthropy events such as ADPi's Diamond Hest.

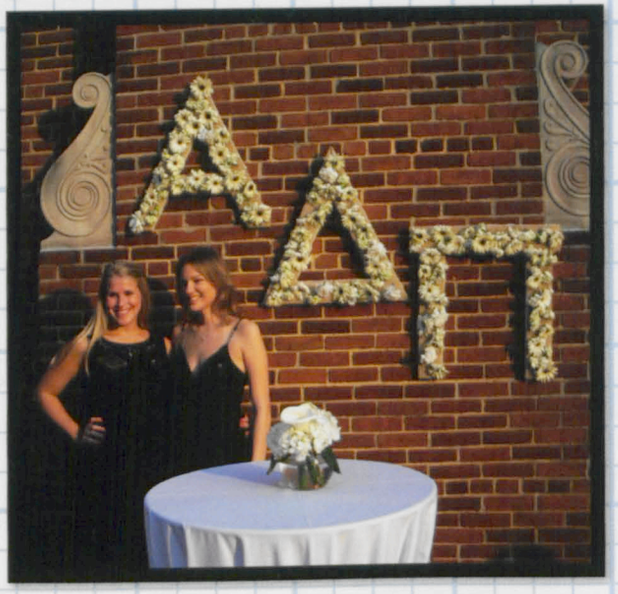
During the week of Oct. 4, exclamations of "I spy an ADPi!" echoed through campus in celebration of Diamond Heist, a weeklong philanthropy event whose proceeds went to the sorority's national philanthropy, the Ronald McDonald House. The event was organized as a competition between fraternities. Chapters earned points for participating in various activities, including I Spy an ADPi, which encouraged fraternity men to find sisters wearing brightly colored shirts. Successful fraternity spies won "I love ADPi" pins that were then redeemed for points.

"ADPi raised more money for the D.C. Ronald McDonald House than it ever had in the past," president Brittany Mitchell said.

Delta Tau Delta won the event, but the combined efforts of friends, family and the entire GW community raised more than $13,500.

"Through our involvement with the Ronald McDonald House charities of greater Washington, where sisters frequently volunteer, we got to see firsthand how the funds raised during Diamond Heist will be used," Mitchell said.

ADPi continued its fundraising efforts in the spring with its Lionshare Challenge, an event that culminated with a volleyball tournament.



We Live for Each other







Multa Corda
Una Causa



ΑΕΦ

(Alpha Epsilon Phi)

Alpha Epsilon Phi's open motto was "Many Hearts, One Purpose." The GW chapter focused on Jewish issues such as raising money for one of their philanthropies, the Chain Sheba Medical Center in Tel Hashomer, Israel.

Additionally, on Oct. 30, AEPHi hosted their second annual All Greek Pink Shabbat at the Gewirz Hillel Center in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness month. The event included a $10 dinner and all proceeds went to one of the chapter's national philanthropies, Sharsheret, a non-for-profit organization of cancer survivors dedicated to addressing the unique challenges facing young Jewish women living with breast cancer.

Several hours of preparation went into making this event possible so both Jewish and non-Jewish Greeks could come together to help raise money.

"In order to prepare, we work with Hillel to order food and decorate the room in pink and serve pink food," president Samantha Shabman said. "We also share some information about how to detect breast cancer early."

Many hearts did come together throughout the year for one common purpose—to support AEPHi and their Jewish-focused philanthropies.

ΑΦ

(Alpha Phi)

The Iota Iota Chapter of Alpha Phi, founded in 2002 at GW, was the first chapter in the nation's capital. As the first sorority to establish its own foundation—The Alpha Phi Foundation—in 1957, the organization pledged to focus on heart disease and cardiac care as a philanthropic priority.

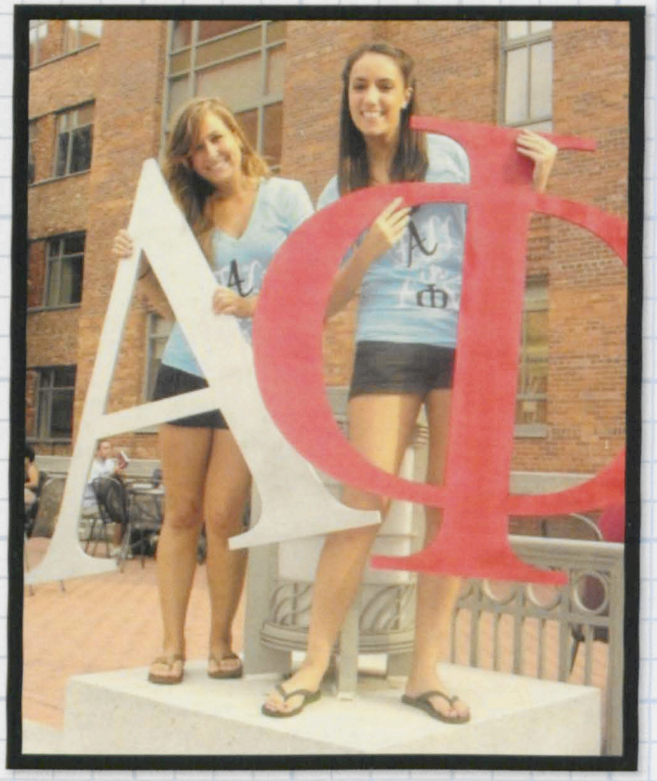
True to their motto "Union Hand in Hand," the chapter hosted many philanthropic events throughout the year. Two of Alpha Phi's signature events were the Red Dress Gala and PhiBall, a dodgeball tournament that gave fraternities a chance to compete against one another.

"I think Alpha Phi's best event this year was definitely our Red Dress Gala," president Alexandra Bachich said.

During parent's weekend on Oct. 16, a sea of red filled Co Co Sala as sisters and their families looked forward to a night of auctions and raffles, entertainment and chocolate at the gala.

"Altogether, the event raised over $15,000 and the proceeds went to the Alpha Phi Foundation," Bachich said. "It was really great to see sisters and their families come together to socialize, while supporting this great cause."

While the Red Dress Gala was the most memorable event, Alpha Phi hosted various other philanthropy events throughout the rest of the year such as Heart Week in the spring, which kicked off with a "Hoops for Hearts" basketball and hula hoop tournament.



Union Hand in Hand







ΔΓ

(Delta Gamma)

One of the first Greek chapters at GW, the Beta Rho chapter of Delta Gamma was chartered on Oct. 6, 1945, under the motto "Do Good." In the years after its installment, DG and its members showed the GW community their commitment to this founding motto.

The chapter came in first place in Sigma Phi Epsilon's Sweetheart Week. DG competed with other sororities in numerous events, such as a live auction to benefit YouthAids.

Each DG sister personified their emblem, which transformed the letter "H" to an anchor symbolizing hope, by aiming to raise $20,000 by the end of the year. These donations benefitted DG's Foundation and Columbia Lighthouse for the Blind, a local group that helped blind and visually impaired children.

"We are well on our way to reaching our $20,000 goal thanks to many events, including AnchorBowl, High Five for Sight, bake sale fundraisers and our many midnight breakfasts," president Hannah Spengler said.

AnchorBowl was DG's annual philanthropy event. AnchorBowl raised money for Service for Sight and The Golden Anchor Program, which sought to support and bring joy to senior citizens throughout the country. The week culminated in a single-elimination fraternity football tournament played on the National Mall. The Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity came out victorious in 2010.

While DG was proud of their philanthropic efforts, their greatest achievement was finishing the year with the title of Chapter of the Year for 2010. The award, given at the Greek Excellence Awards, acknowledged all of the chapter's accomplishments throughout the year.

Do Good

ΚΚΓ

(Kappa Kappa Gamma)

Originally recognized on campus as the local chapter Gamma Beta Pi and given its official charter in 1929, the Gamma Chi chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma was the oldest sorority on the GW campus. KKG remained on campus throughout the explosion of the civil rights and peace movements of the '60s.

The sisters of KKG hosted their annual philanthropy event, Kappa Kickball, on Oct. 4. The warm weather brought more teams than ever out to raise money for KKG's national philanthropy, Reading is Fundamental (RIF), which aimed to promote literacy through donations and hands-on work throughout D.C. With its new location at the Henry Bacon Drive Fields on the National Mall, the event hosted four games at a time.

"The fraternity Sigma Phi Epsilon won for the second year in a row, which was fun," philanthropy chair Sondra Tusa said. "We had beautiful weather and one team brought a boom box that was so loud everyone could enjoy the fun music that was playing."

Furthering their endeavors, KKG hosted a philanthropy event in the spring. The Reading is Key event was coordinated with RIF and the D.C. Maryland Alumni chapter and distributed books to less fortunate children. KKG planned to continue hosting both Kappa Kickball and Reading is Key in the future.





Tradition of Leadership





ΠΒΦ

(Pi Beta Phi)

The D.C. Alpha chapter of Pi Beta Phi was the first sorority to come to GW's campus when it was founded in 1889. After a change in university administration, Pi Phi, along with several other chapters on campus, chose to close, but returned to Foggy Bottom in the fall of 2006. Although the chapter was relatively new to campus, Pi Phi hosted several trademark philanthropy events throughout 2009 and 2010. These events included Pi Beta 5K, hosted in the fall, and Pi Phi Wiffleball, which was held in the spring and gave members the opportunity to meet with their founder Kyle Zimmer.

Pi Phi's national philanthropy focused on promoting childhood literacy. Partnered with First Book, an international nonprofit organization founded in 1992, the sorority furthered the organization's mission to give children from low-income families the opportunity to read and own books. By hosting First Book Speed Reads, Pi Phi sisters raised money for new books. Speed readers were challenged to read as many words as they could out loud from classic children's book in 15 seconds. For each word read, $2.50 was donated to the organization.

Pi Phi attended two main philanthropy events throughout the year. The chapter participated in the Champions are Readers program, during which members visited schools throughout D.C. and read to young students. The D.C. Alpha chapter also continued its tradition of celebrating Dr. Seuss' birthday by decorating bookplate labels to raise money for First Book.

ΣΔT

(Sigma Delta Tau)

In March of 1917, after experiencing discrimination as a religious minority among the Greek population, seven women at Cornell University founded a new sorority. Years later on Dec. 16, 1961, the Alpha Tau chapter of Sigma Delta Tau was established at GW.

"I joined SDT because being a part of Greek Life seemed like it would open a lot of doors for me," President Sara Fischer said.

In 1982, members in attendance at the National Convention unanimously adopted Prevent Child Abuse America as their national philanthropy. PCAA was dedicated to the prevention of child abuse through citizen action. Throughout the year, SDT raised awareness for the organization and its mission through educational programs, community service projects and fund raising activities. Together, the SDT chapters nationwide raised over $50,000 for the cause. The Alpha Tau chapter assisted by hosting bake sales, trunk shows and its annual speed-dating event, which took place in the fall of 2009. At the event, candy goodie bags were also made as donations to PCAA.

In addition to participating in other fundraisers such as Relay for Life and the AIDS Walk Washington, SDT found time to have fun and enjoy their sisterhood through social events, such as their SDT Referees crush party.

"The members of the house were some of the warmest and welcoming people I have met here at GW," Fischer said.





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ΣK

(Sigma Kappa)

After Sigma Kappa was founded at Colby College on Nov. 9, 1874, the Zeta Chapter was instituted at GW on Feb. 24, 1906. On March 29, 1906, the Pan-Hellenic Association at GW formally welcomed the Zeta chapter into the university. As a brotherhood with deep historical ties to GW, Sigma Kappa pursued excellence by hosting several philanthropy events.

"Sigmalympics is our spring philanthropy event," Historian Lea Thierman said. "This year, it was held on the National Mall and featured a series of events in which the fraternities compete against each other in various events."

Fraternities participated in activities such as toga making, water flip cup, tug of war, "Jell-O jousting," three-legged races and arm wrestling. At the end of the day, all the scores were combined and Pi Kappa Alpha was presented with a gold medal. Money raised during the event went to funding Alzheimer's research. Ever since 1984, Sigma Kappa has responded to the hardships experienced by older Americans and the struggle to find a cure for Alzheimer's disease.

The Zeta chapter furthered its philanthropic efforts by hosting Ultraviolet Days in the fall as part of a national Ultraviolet Campaign. Additionally, the chapter participated in the National Memory Walk hosted by the Alzheimer's Association and hosted a senior citizen prom.

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One Heart
One Way



ΦΣΣ

(Phi Sigma Sigma)

Established at GW in 1924 and then rechartered in 1997 under the motto, "Aim High," the Kappa chapter of Phi Sigma Sigma did just that.

"It has been an honor to work with and lead a sisterhood of such dynamic women," president Samantha McLean said. "They are constantly inspiring and motivating me to stay true to our open motto, 'Aim High,' and I thank them for making me the woman I am today."

One way that the Kappa chapter Aimed High was in their fundraising efforts. Through their Rock-A-Thon event held every spring, Phi Sig raised money for the Phi Sigma Sigma Foundation, which benefitted the Laura Treanor Scholarship Fund and the National Kidney Foundation. The event consisted of various fundraising initiatives throughout the week. Rock-A-Thon ended as the members of participating fraternities and sororities gathered donations while sitting in rocking chairs in University Yard. Delta Tau Delta and Kappa Kappa Gamma were the champions at Phi Sig's 2010 Rock-A-Thon.

"Phi Sigma Sigma is more than just a social organization, it is a sisterhood," sister development chair Amy Kelleher said. "If I ever needed anything, I know that there would not just be one person, but 113 people I could call for help. We are a group of diverse individuals, but at the end of the day we are all a part of this single organization."

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(Chi Omega)

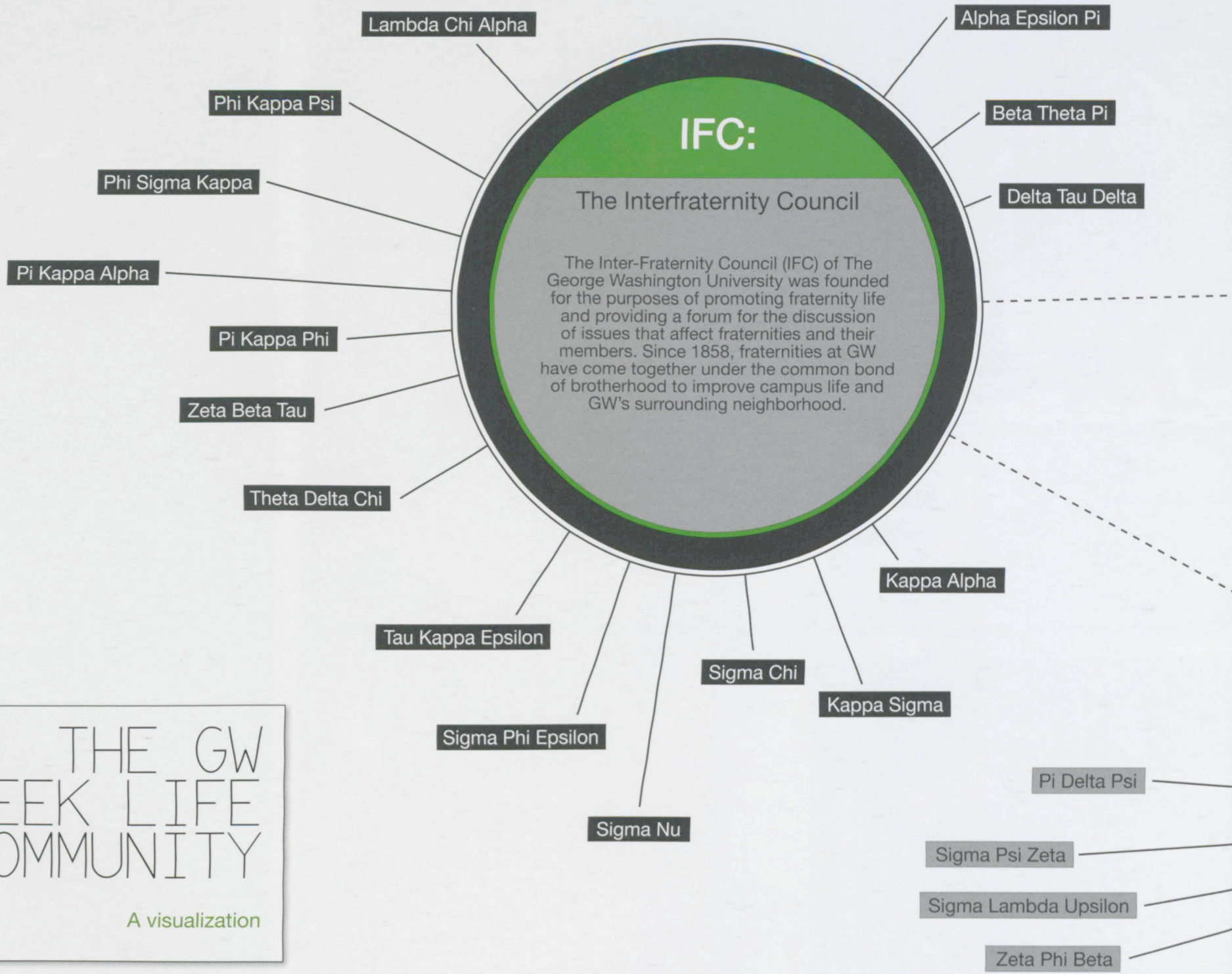
The newest sorority to join GW Greek life, the Phi Alpha chapter of Chi Omega was re-installed at GW on Jan. 24, 2009. Completing its first year on campus in the spring of 2010, the sisters of Chi O became a part of the family.

"What I love about Chi Omega is that it is an organization of women who each have diverse interests and accomplishments, but we all share the same values and are bonded by our six purposes," president Arianna Ames said.

The six purposes of Chi O were scholarship, friendship, community service, participation in campus activities, high standards of personnel and career development. By putting on career workshops, Chi O embodied career development. By getting their makeup done together for formal, the chapter promoted friendship. By hosting their philanthropy event Swishes for Wishes, Chi O participated in community service.

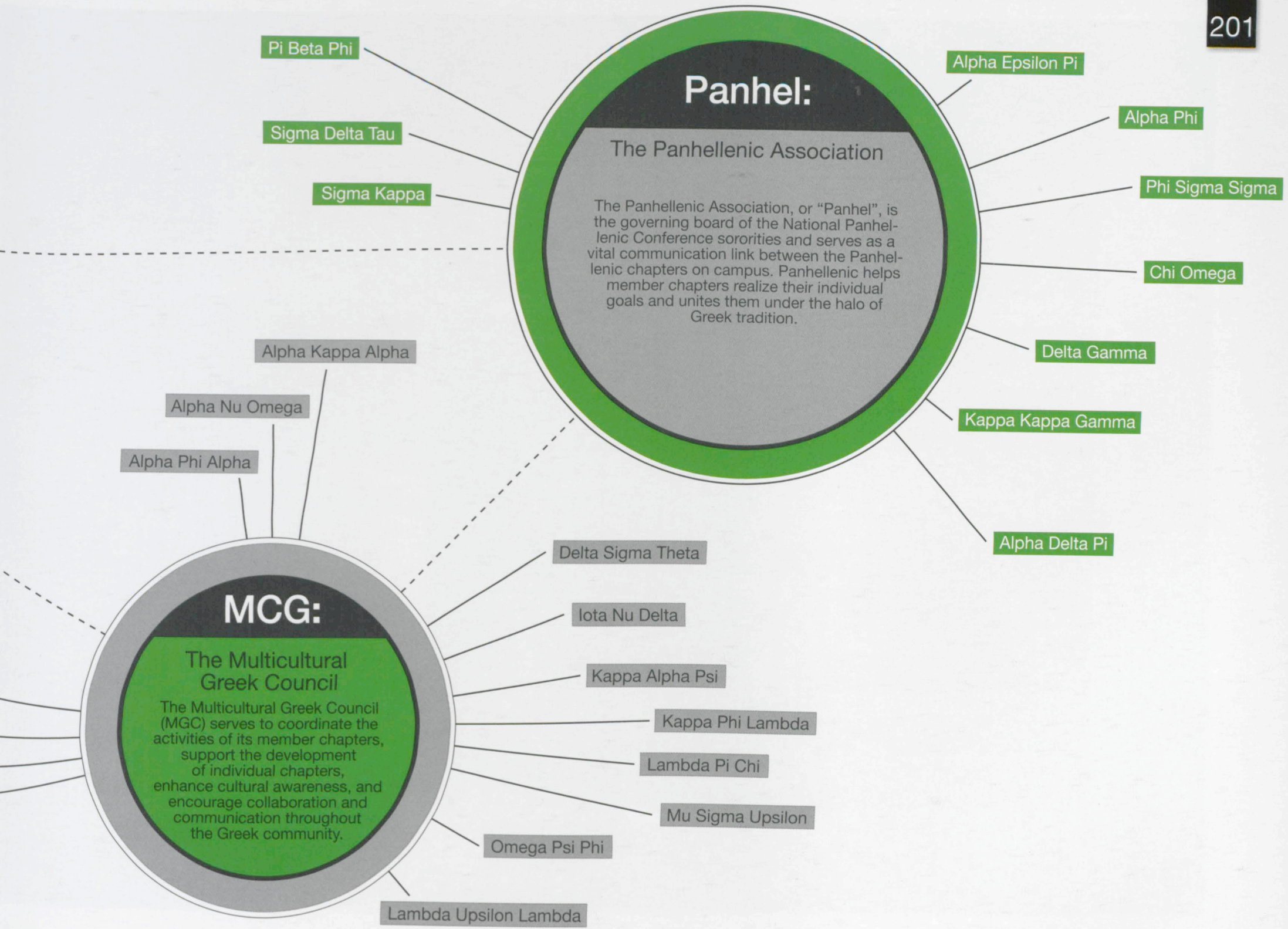
The second Annual Swishes for Wishes was a charity basketball tournament that benefited the Make-a-Wish Foundation. The fraternities on campus competed in the daylong event raising money for Make-a-Wish, an organization that granted wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions to enrich the human experience with hope, strength and joy.

"My sisters in Chi Omega are actively involved on campus, fun, loving and encouraging," Ames said. "I am proud of the sisterhood we have built at GW and can't imagine going through college without my sisters."



THE GW GREEK LIFE COMMUNITY

A visualization


Panhel:
The Panhellenic Association
The Panhellenic Association, or "Panhel", is the governing board of the National Panhellenic Conference sororities and serves as a vital communication link between the Panhellenic chapters on campus. Panhellenic helps member chapters realize their individual goals and unites them under the halo of Greek tradition.
Pi Beta Phi
Sigma Delta Tau
Sigma Kappa
Alpha Epsilon Pi
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Kappa Kappa Gamma
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MCG:
The Multicultural Greek Council
The Multicultural Greek Council (MGC) serves to coordinate the activities of its member chapters, support the development of individual chapters, enhance cultural awareness, and encourage collaboration and communication throughout the Greek community.
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Kappa Alpha Psi
Kappa Phi Lambda
Lambda Pi Chi
Mu Sigma Upsilon
Omega Psi Phi
Lambda Upsilon Lambda

MAD RUSH

Top TEN most creative IFC rush events

In the fall of 2009, a dunk tank, car smash and pig roast shared one unusually clear resemblance. Each was an Inter-Fraternity Council rush event sponsored by one of 16 fraternities in an attempt to recruit new members. In the three weeks between Sept. 14 and Oct. 2, IFC Rush events were held around campus for anyone interested in joining a fraternity. Although events ranged in style, each was designed to provide opportunities for potential new members to get to know the brothers of the fraternities.

Natalie Kornicks

1) Tau Kappa Epsilon's Car Smash - Potential new members let out frustrations in TKE's backyard with a sledgehammer in hand.

2) Phi Sigma Kappa's Dunk Tank - A dunk tank was set up on the front lawn of PSK as brothers showed off the spirit of their fraternity.

3) Kappa Alpha Order's Hot Dog Eating Contest - Bystanders watched as potential new members were awarded for their eating ability in University Yard.

4) Alpha Epsilon Pi's Dinner at Meiwah - Potential new members were invited to the Meiwah restaurant for Chinese food. The Group met at the AEPi house and walked to the restaurant on New Hampshire and M Street.

5) Kappa Alpha Order's Pig Roast - KA demonstrated an old southern tradition that included a 40-pound hog.

6) Kappa Sigma's Video Game Tournament - Kappa Sigma attracted freshmen by holding a video game marathon in the Thurston TV lounge.

7) Sigma Phi Epsilon's Steel Drum Band - Potential new members were served Matchbox Pizza and enjoyed the sounds of an authentic steel drum band as they talked with the brothers of SigEp.

8) Phi Kappa Psi's City View Room Social - While enjoying a breathtaking view of the Washington Monument from the rooftop of 1957 E Street, potential new members snacked on wings.

9) Tau Kappa Epsilon's State Fair Night - TKE threw a carnival-themed party with games and an all-you-can-scoop ice cream sundae buffet, including an endless amount of topping options

10) Sigma Chi's Hawaiian Themed Barbecue - Hula dancers attracted potential new members to Sigma Chi's Hawaiian-themed barbecue, where brothers cooked up burgers and hotdogs.




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ΑΕΠ

(Alpha Epsilon Pi)

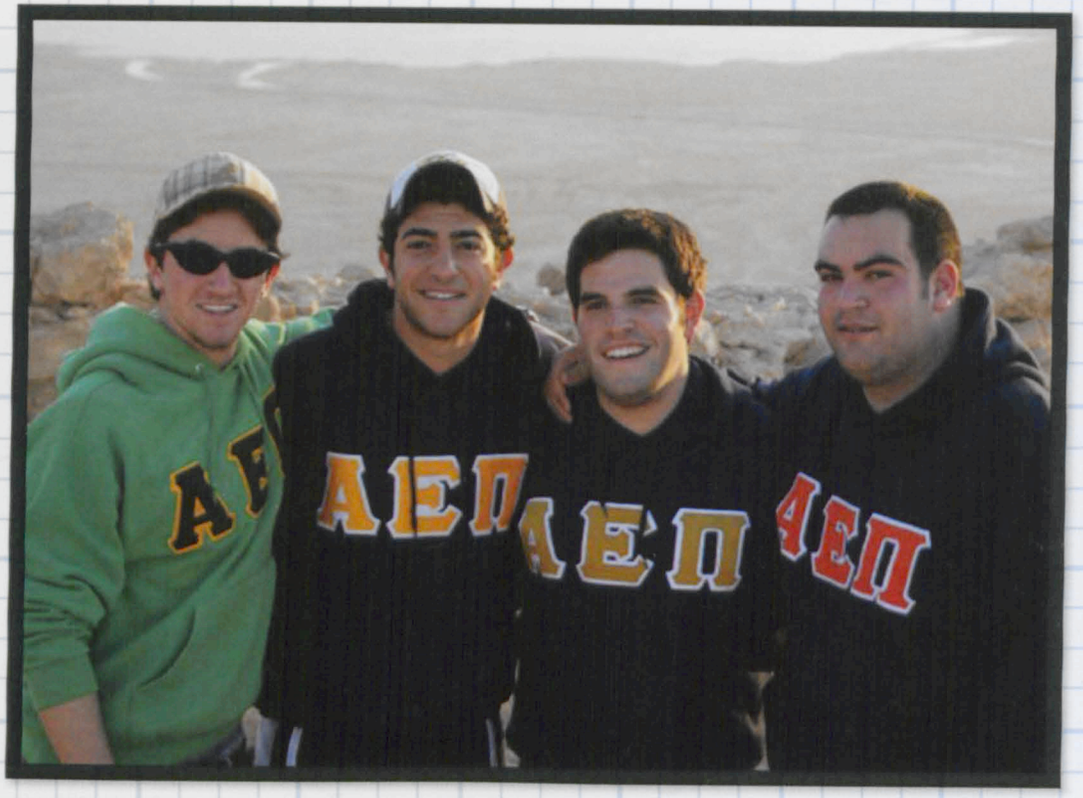
One of two Jewish fraternities at GW, Alpha Epsilon Pi was established on campus in 1948. The fraternity was founded to provide opportunities for Jewish men seeking the best possible college and fraternity experiences.

AEPi advocated for its national philanthropy, the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. The chapter raised thousands of dollars each year through various events to assist in juvenile diabetes research. As part of their Sugar High philanthropy week in the spring, AEPi members enjoyed friendly competition during a GW-wide laser tag tournament held on the Mount Vernon campus.

Many AEPi brothers traveled to Israel together through the Birthright program, which provided another opportunity for them to celebrate their Jewish heritage. The program sponsored trips to Israel for Jewish young adults.

"It was great to have some of my brothers accompany me on my Birthright trip," sophomore Adam Kurland said. "It was one of the best experiences I've ever had and having not only my classmates, but my brothers, by my side combined the greatest aspects of my life."

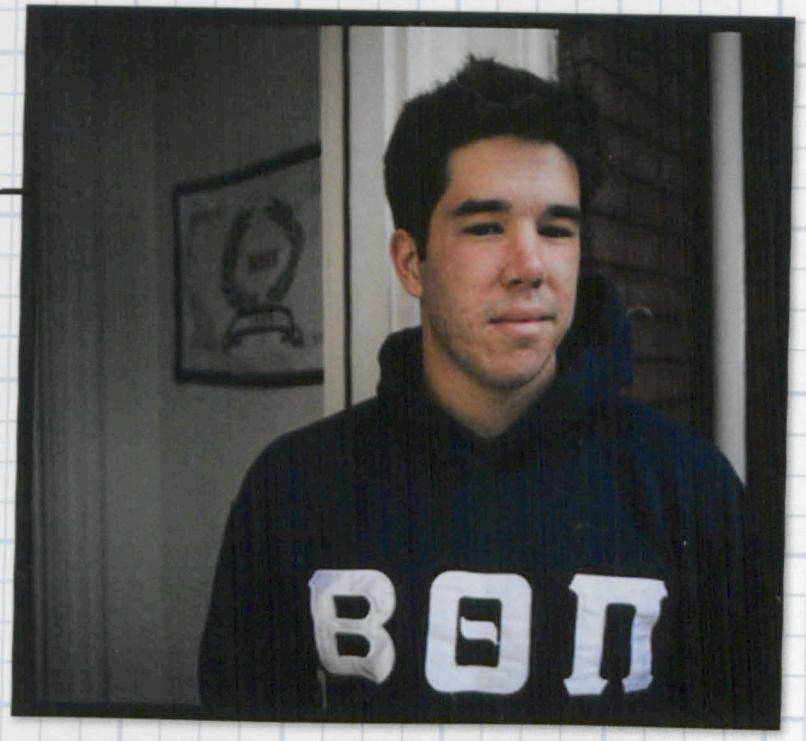
The GW chapter was nominated for the International AEPi Chapter of the Year in 2009 and hoped to continue with such excellence in the future.





No one could tell me where
My soul might be;
I searched for G-d,
but He eluded me;
I sought my brother out
and found all three.

Kai



Beta!



ΒΘΠ

(Beta Theta Pi)

Earnest young men worked diligently to colonize the Zeta Nu chapter of Beta Theta Pi at GW in 1995. The chapter received its official charter at the fraternity's annual general convention two years later.

In the spring of 2010, the chapter hosted its philanthropy event, Beta Cup, a Greek-wide soccer tournament. Although the event was usually small, the chapter planned to greatly expand the event.

"This year, we have reached out seeking participation from every social sorority on campus, as well as all Multicultural Organizations," president Corey Lewin said. "Organizations will be allowed to enter multiple teams."

The tournament raised money for Beta's annual philanthropy, the N Street Village Women's Shelter. The Village provided services and advocacy for homeless and low-income women. It also provided affordable rental housing for low and moderate-income individuals and families.

Zeta Nu personified their national organization's founding principles by winning two Francis H. Sisson Awards, which represented the most prestigious recognition offered for Beta chapters. Sisson Awards were given for fraternal excellence to just 28 of the fraternity's 120-plus chapters.

ΔTΔ

(Delta Tau Delta)

Founded at the university in November 2008, the Gamma Eta chapter of Delta Tau Delta was the newest fraternal organization at GW.

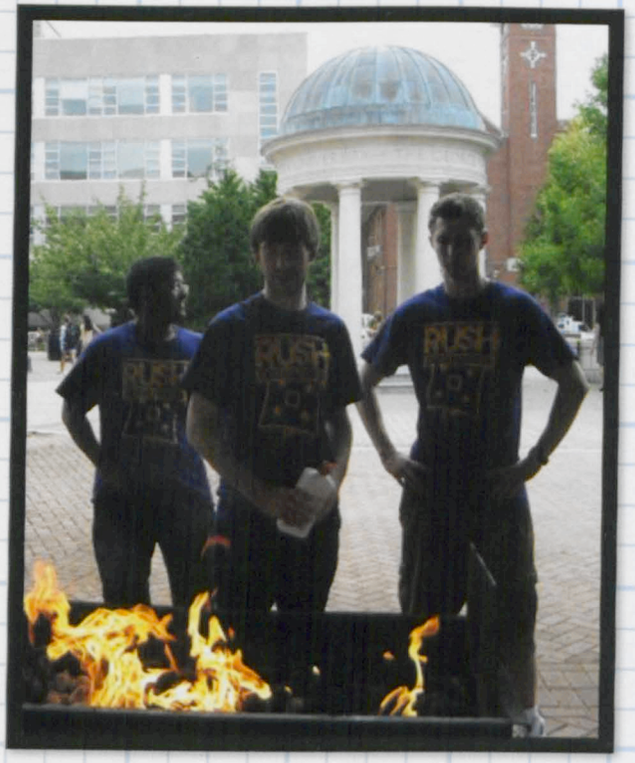
"After participating in our first Greek Week, we became prominent members of the Greek Community," public relations chair Randy Grey said. "Shortly after Greek Week, we came in first place in Alpha Delta Pi's Diamond Heist and then fourth place in Phi Sigma Sigma's Sapphire Cup."

DTD's national chapter accepted their petition and Gamma Eta officially became a chapter in January 2009. The chapter hosted an installation banquet in honor of their colonization and to kick off their February philanthropy week.

Proceeds from DTD's philanthropy week benefited the Bleed Purple Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to raising awareness for college students living with cancer. Each year, the Foundation awarded grants to college students suffering from all types of cancer in the form of medical bill payment and tuition relief to help ease stress that came with cancer and financing an education.

Working hard to raise money for unique causes and developing a member education initiative, DTD was an active and philanthropic GW fraternity.





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ZBT

(Zeta Beta Tau)

With its roots in a Zionist movement beginning in 1898, Zeta Beta Tau became a fraternity in 1903. Throughout the years, GW's Phi Alpha Alpha chapter of ZBT had three distinct colonizations due to institutional conflict. The final listed date for its foundation on GW's campus was 1969.

"Our traditions are based on that founding," external vice president Lee Feldman said. "We are historically a Jewish fraternity but do not discriminate any other race or creed. In terms of Hebrew holidays such as the Sabbath or Passover, ZBT avoids setting events on those days and respects those unable to attend events for those days." ZBT held chapter meetings in the Gewirz Hillel Center on campus.

ZBT's motto—"Powerhouse of Excellence"—was demonstrated through participation in a variety of campus activities. The fraternity hosted weekly brotherhood events, played intramural sports and organized Get on the Ball, its national philanthropy event for The Children's Miracle Network.

In the spring of 2009, ZBT was awarded a Greek Excellence Award for the best overall GPA on campus. The brothers hoped to maintain this level of academic excellence for semesters to come.

ΘΔΧ

(Theta Delta Chi)

After its start at GW in 1896, the Chi Deuteron chapter of Theta Delta Chi shut down and later returned to campus in 1987. It was during this revival that Chi Deuteron was really transformed.

"The thing I love most about being a part of Theta Delta Chi is that it is an opportunity to build up a fraternity that represents what we as members want it to be," president Hursh Vasant said. "We have total control over creating traditions and practices that will far outlast our tenure here at GW."

One of the signature events that members created was a philanthropy in collaboration with Sigma Kappa called Couch Potatoes for Cancer. Members of the GW community hung out on couches in Kogan Plaza and donated money to help the V Foundation. The V Foundation for Cancer Research was founded by ESPN and Jim Valvano, the former North Carolina State basketball coach and award-winning broadcaster, as he battled cancer. The foundation raised more than $90 million and awarded cancer research grants in 38 states and the District of Columbia.

Although Theta Delta Chi may not have boasted the largest number of member on campus, they took pride in the accomplishments of their brothers. At the Theta Delta Chi International Convention in 2009, a member of Chi Deuteron was elected as president of the Grand Lodge, the governing body of the fraternity, made up of five officers, only two of whom were undergraduates.

"It's a chance to do something worthwhile and leave a lasting impression over future members," Vasant said.





Our Hearts are United





KA

(Kappa Alpha)

The original Alpha Nu chapter of Kappa Alpha Order was founded at GW in 1894 and included notable members like J. Edgar Hoover and Hugh Clegg. Nearly 57 years after Alpha Nu left in 1960, GW sent a letter to the Order inviting it to return. In 2007, the Kappa Alpha Order was officially invited by the Inter-Fraternity Council to begin the re-colonization process. On Jan. 26, 2008, the chapter received its charter and the brothers were formally initiated into the Order.

"I joined KA because it is a tightly knit group of men who share my values and encourage each other to aim for excellence," freshman and Epsilon class president Thomas MacDonald said.

Unlike some other Greek organizations, KA focused its ideals around God and a man's duty to women. The chapter demonstrated chivalry and exuded brotherhood with various events such as a pledge class fall trip to the KA National Headquarters, Mulberry Hill, in Lexington, Va. In January, the officers took a trip to the National Headquarters to meet the national staff and learn the details of their individual roles and leadership skills. On Earth Day 2009, the brothers contributed to GW's campus-wide celebration by planting cherry trees on H Street in the middle of the Foggy Bottom campus.

Although KA was relatively new to the GW campus, the chapter made sure it had a prominent role. The members were committed to following the definition of a gentleman once laid out by Robert E. Lee, one of their founding fathers.

ΚΣ

(Kappa Sigma)

Kappa Sigma's history went back further than any Greek organization on GW's campus. Kappa Sigma began as a secret society at the University of Bologna in Italy with the mission of protecting students from a corrupt city governor. The society's values and rituals evolved over time into a brotherhood—the Fellowship of Kappa Sigma.

The Alpha Eta chapter of Kappa Sigma was established at GW in 1892. In the early 1990s, the brotherhood was briefly disbanded, but later recolonized. As the 45th chapter of the fraternity, the men of Alpha Eta worked hard to live out the founding ideals of the group. The chapter served as the center of a large network of Kappa Sigmas living in Washington, D.C. for nearly 100 years.

"Brotherhood for life in Kappa Sigma means having a platform to great heights, as well as a safety net for your lowest of lows," president Ryan Hayes said.

In the spring of 2010, Kappa Sigma brother Dan Reade won second place in Alpha Phi's dating game during Heart Week, which benefited the fraternity's international philanthropy Cardiac Care and Research. The chapter hoped to win more titles in the future.



Bononia Docet
(Bologna Teaches)







ΛΧΑ

(Lambda Chi Alpha)

Lambda Chi Alpha was founded in 190 and proudly boasted the seventh largest fraternity membership nationwide in 2010. The philanthropic endeavors of the Delta Xi Zeta chapter at GW grew substantially in the years after the chapter's establishment.

"It's about finding a tradition that we hold dear to ourselves, and having this, treating each other with warmth and equality regardless of race, gender, or nationality," ritualist Larry Tse said. "We are men who are on a journey together."

Part of the journey of a member of Lambda Chi Alpha was dedication to its national philanthropy, the North American Food Drive. In the decade and a half before the 2009-2010 school year, the fraternity helped provide more than 32.5 million pounds of food to needy families throughout the United States and Canada. With the growing support of sponsors, community leaders and the efforts of its 8,000 members, Lambda Chi was able to donate two million pounds of food in 2009. The Delta Xi Zeta chapter alone raised over $1,000 for the Capital Area Food Bank in northeast Washington, D.C.

GW's Lambda Chi Alpha hosted a philanthropy event in the spring of 2010 called the Watermelon Fest. Sororities from the D.C. area participated in Olympic-style competitions, including relay races, tug-of-war and a watermelon seed-spitting contest. Participants were encouraged to donate canned food to the Capital Area Food Bank in the spirit of competition.

The chapter more than exhibited their motto "Naught Without Labor" as they worked diligently for their philanthropy.

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ΠΚΑ

(Pi Kappa Alpha)

The Delta Alpha chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha returned to GW as a sports teams after its disintegration in 1966. After the group of young men dominated each sport, defeating every recognized fraternity and winning the championship, the Inter-Fraternity Council had no other choice but to recognize PIKE. The chapter officially returned in 1988.

Since its establishment, the Delta Alpha chapter proved it belonged at GW over and over again. PIKE organized and hosted one of the most well-attended and spirited philanthropy events at GW. Sorority members spent the week of April 18 feeding firemen, performing in skits and donating money in hopes of being crowned the winners of PIKE's Fireman's Challenge. Delta Gamma won the 2010 competition. The annual event raised money for the D.C. Firefighters' Burn Foundation.

"Over the last five years, PIKE has raised over $40,000 for this organization and plans to raise $25,000 this year alone," president Michael Waterman said.

Since PIKE's first Fireman's Challenge, the event grew to include not only GW Greek life, but the entire D.C. community, as well. Since there was a D.C. Fire Department on campus, the event profited a charity that hit home to students and Foggy Bottom residents alike.

For its philanthropic endeavors and commitment to brotherhood, Delta Alpha was named GW's Chapter of the Year in 2010.



Once a Pike
Always a Pike







ΠΚΦ

(Pi Kappa Phi)

By the fall of 2002, the new Pi Kappa Phi chapter at GW had raised over $1,300 for their national philanthropy, PUSH America, an organization created to educate and provide a quality hands-on service experience for members of Pi Kapp while enhancing the lives of people with disabilities. With the help of its many supporters, GW honored the chapter's efforts and extended a charter to Pi Kapp that same year.

The goal was reached on Nov. 15, 2002. Under the guidance of Durwood Owen, a man who helped Pi Kapp for 30 years and was recognized as the fraternity's fourth honorary founding father, a charter was extended to the associate chapter at GW. Forty men were granted the status as founding fathers of the Theta Zeta Chapter of Pi Kappa Phi.

"I guess what it comes down to it, I joined Pi Kapp for the camaraderie," president Christopher Rossi said.

In its ninth year at GW, Pi Kapp prided itself in offering its members the best educational, service and leadership opportunities on campus. Over the years, Pi Kapp won various academic and athletic awards, such as the Most Academic Fraternity and the Pikus Cup Intramural Sports Championship. Pi Kapp's annual fundraiser, War of the Roses, raised awareness for PUSH America among sorority members. During the weeklong event, participants competed in penny wars, helping to raise funds for the notable cause.

Holding high the morals once laid out by their forefathers, the brothers of Pi Kapp were leaders on campus.

"I've never met a better bunch of guys," Rossi said. "I'm proud to call them my brothers."

Nothing Shall ever Tear us Asunder

ΣN

(Sigma Nu)

The founders of Sigma Nu at the Virginia Military Institute, where the brotherhood had its start, lived by a Code of Honor. This honors system required each cadet to "conform to the duty imposed by his conscience that each act be governed by a high sense of Honor." As a result of these high standards, Sigma Nu was the first fraternity founded on the principle of honor.

Carrying out these principles of honor on GW's campus, Sigma Nu participated in a variety of philanthropic events, including Habitat for Humanity and the Greek Bowl for the American Diabetes Association. Sigma Nu hosted the Greek Bowl every year to raise money for diabetes research.

"This year we've done a variety of fundraisers to raise money," president Matt Gardell said. "These include a D.C. Snacks-sponsored fundraiser, as well as our own fundraisers where we sell Krispy Kreme donuts."

Sigma Nu also hosted its main philanthropy event in the spring. The Rock Challenge event raised additional funds for the ADA.

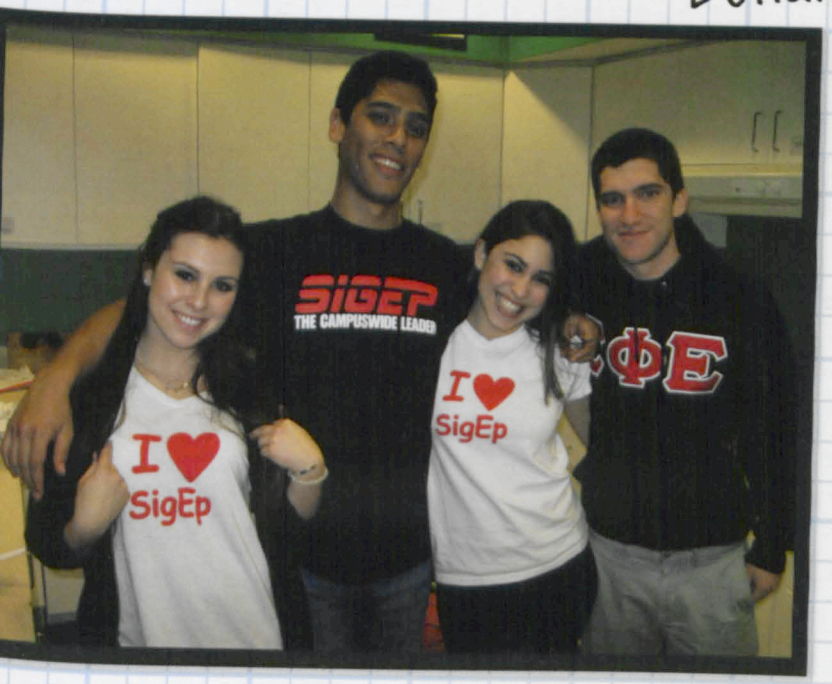
As directed by the chapter's mission statement, Sigma Nu worked to develop ethical leaders inspired by the founding principles of love, honor and truth. As the oldest continuous fraternity on GW's campus, the Delta Pi chapter had over 1,000 alumni.





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ΣΦΕ

(Sigma Phi Epsilon)

The 33rd chapter of the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity was founded at GW on Oct. 9, 1909. On Oct. 9, 2009, the brothers of Sigma Phi Epsilon celebrated their centennial.

The celebration brought D.C. Alpha alumni from every corner of the country together to recognize the chapter's accomplishments. Organized by the Alumni Volunteer Corportation and the brothers of SigEp, the celebration lasted for four days. Brothers of all ages had the opportunity to reconnect during an evening cocktail reception, tour the SigEp house and share a morning brunch.

"After months of planning and correspondence, we are proud that over 250 brothers, past and present, were able to celebrate this momentous occasion," SigEp president Dan Blumenthal said.

The celebration culminated in a formal banquet at the Renaissance Hotel. The event included dinner and dancing, as well as a colorful arrangement of speakers, including the Grand President of Sigma Phi Epsilon.

ΣX

(Sigma Chi)

The Epsilon chapter of Sigma Chi was founded at GW in 1864 and was extremely active on campus in the following years. From the moment the chapter was chartered, its members were deeply rooted in the GW community and strove to uphold the three basic principles of their brotherhood.

"The brothers of Sigma Chi promote a set of values that is focused around friendship, justice and learning," president Ashish Kumbhat said. "We believe these three principles are fundamental for the development of meaningful relationships that are based upon solid tenets of diversity and understanding."

By filling various positions such as SA Vice President, Student Court Chief Justice and IFC President, the individual members of Sigma Chi lived out their values within GW's student body. The chapter as a whole contributed to the community through its annual philanthropy event, Derby Days. Every year for a week, sororities teamed up with a member of Sigma Chi who acted as a coach to help them compete in events leading up to a festive carnival. The week concluded with a southern-themed party. Funds were raised for the Children's Miracle Network, a non-profit organization dedicated to saving and improving the lives of children by collecting donations for children's hospitals nationwide.

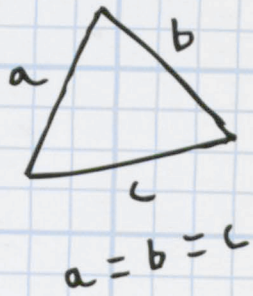
The chapter's actions did not go without notice. In 2009, the Epsilon chapter of Sigma Chi was named Most Outstanding Chapter in the Eastern Region of the United States and was recognized by its international headquarters for its outstanding philanthropic work and risk management plan.



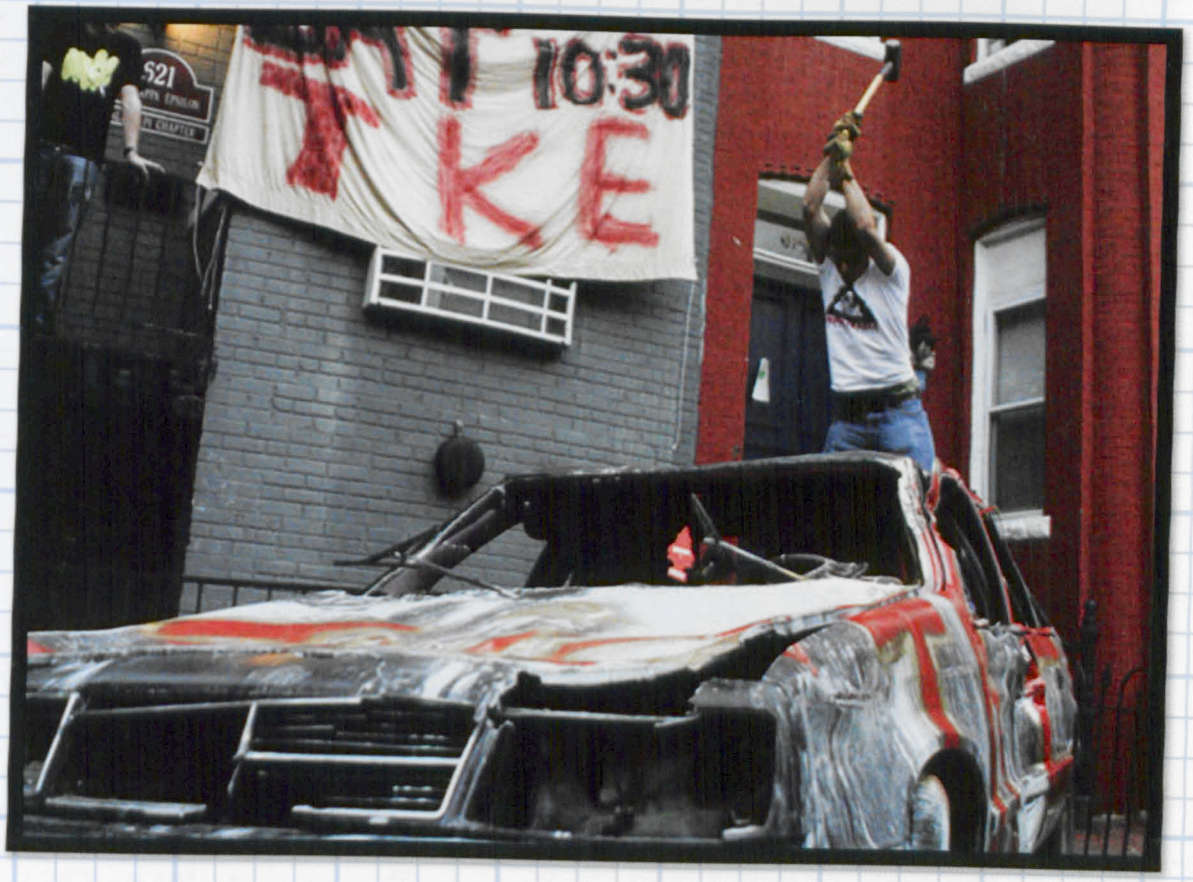
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TKE

(Tau Kappa Epsilon)

During the Great Depression, the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity struggled under stressful financial conditions to keep its chapters intact. As a result of the organization's dedicated leadership, eight new chapters were added from 1930 to 1935, including GW's Alpha Pi chapter.

"I joined TKE because I wanted to have a fun and happy college career, through making real friendships that would last," president Michael Donaldson said. "We are all very unique and different in our interests and personalities, but at the end of the day we all share a common bond of personal worth and character."

TKE supported the Alzheimer's Association as its philanthropy. The Alzheimer's Association was the leading voluntary health organization in Alzheimer's care, support and research. In March of 2010, TKE participated in a candlelight vigil held in Washington, D.C. in support of the fight against Alzheimer's.

In addition to several brotherhood events throughout the year, TKE members also helped sororities on campus fundraise for their own philanthropies by participating in events such as Sigma Kappa's Sigmalympics and Alpha Phi's Heartweek.

While the chapter supported other Greek organizations in their endeavors, it prospered in its own undertakings, showing the determination and persistence that once helped the fraternity survive the Great Depression.

ΦΚΨ

(Phi Kappa Psi)

The Alpha chapter of Phi Kappa Psi was originally organized in 1868, when GW's campus was home to the Columbian University. In 1899 every active member of the chapter enlisted in the Spanish-American War, resulting in the Executive Council's recall of the charter. The chapter was reorganized at GW in 1987, receiving their charter in 1990 and thriving throughout the later years.

"I joined Phi Psi because of the diverse brotherhood and great friendships," vice president Connor Currier said. "The people I have met through Phi Psi are the greatest friends I've made in college and I'm glad to call them my brothers."

Phi Psi promoted their brotherhood through athletic events, social events and philanthropy events year-round. On Halloween 2009, Phi Psi hosted its first ever Phi Kappa Cycles fundraiser. The event included tricycle races and Halloween themed competitions such as a pumpkin-carving contest, which took place in University Yard. The proceeds were donated to the Boys and Girls Club.







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ΦΣK

(Phi Sigma Kappa)

Founded at GW in 1899, the Lambda chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa worked to uphold its fraternal mission statement, which stressed the importance of bettering the individual, the university community and the world. To achieve its mission statement, the fraternity gave its members opportunities to develop their leadership skills, participate in service to others, achieve academic excellence, experience cultural diversity and practice personal integrity. The members also took it upon themselves to connect with past and present brothers.

"PSK is a smaller, tightly-knit brotherhood, dedicated to the common good," president Dan Bellovin said.

Since the chapter consisted of a small number of men, members were able to connect intimately with their alumni. In August 2009, the Lambda chapter attended the 62nd Grand General Convention at the Boston Marriott Quincy in Quincy, Mass. Members of the Lambda chapter also had an opportunity to meet alumni in September 2009 at the Clubhouse Café in New York City. In March 2010, The Washington Club, which was founded in 1891 for "literary purposes, mutual improvement and the promotions of social intercourse" hosted a Founder's Day reunion for all Lambda alumni in the D.C. area. This event was a chance for the alumni to pass on advice to current brothers about how they could be effective on GW's campus.

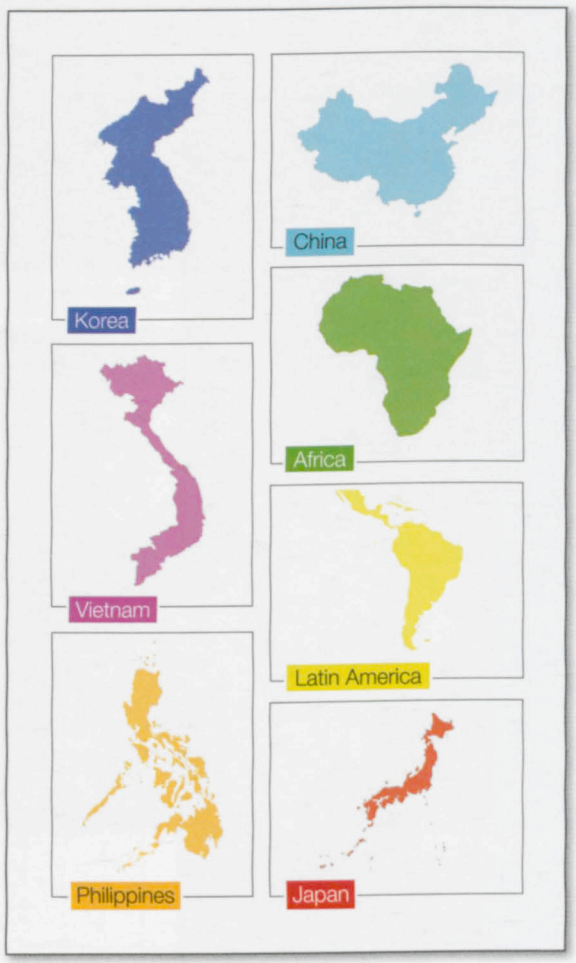
EXTENDED FAMILY

Multicultural Greek Council promotes diversity on campus

The Multicultural Greek Council espoused the motto "Greek Unity and Cultural Diversity." Aiming to promote Greek Life with an emphasis on culture, the MGC was responsible for overseeing GW's 12 multicultural Greek organizations.

Sponsoring Multicultural Greek Week, the MGC kicked off the year with a week-long event that celebrated diversity and the cultural community at GW. Additionally, new students were given the chance to become familiar with multicultural student organizations, as all events were open to the entire GW community.

Natalie Kornicks





AKA

(Alpha Kappa Alpha)

Alpha Kappa Alpha was founded on Jan. 15, 1908 at Howard University in Washington, D.C. by a group of nine students led by Ethel Hedgeman Lyle. AKA was the first Greek-lettered sorority established and incorporated by African American college women. The idea originated from an interest group called AKABA, which is Swahili for fertility and grace. The Mu Delta chapter of AKA was chartered at GW by 13 women in 1978.



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Ivy Leaf







First of All
Servants of All
We shall Transcend
All

ΑΦΑ

(Alpha Phi Alpha)

Alpha Phi Alpha was founded on Dec. 4, 1906 at Cornell University in Ithaca, N.Y. The founders were collectively known as the "Seven Jewels." APA was the first intercollegiate Greek-letter organization established by African Americans. The Nu Beta Chapter was chartered at American University in 1977 and later spread to GW, Catholic University and Georgetown University.

ΔΣΘ

(Delta Sigma Theta)

Delta Sigma Theta was founded on Jan. 13, 1913 at Howard University in Washington, D.C. DST was a non-profit Greek-lettered sorority of college-educated women who performed public service while placing emphasis on the African American community. The organization was the largest African-American Greek-lettered sorority in the world. The Mu Beta Chapter was chartered at GW in 1975 by nine women as the first black Greek-letter organization on campus.





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ΖΦΒ

(Zeta Phi Beta)

The Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated was founded at the George Washington University on October 26, 1997. Five women, Tracey Fenwick, LaToyia Moore, Eliza Thompson, Nana Jeffrey-Idun, and Narkai Kamara brought a new wave of community involvement to the campus. The sorority gained three more members during the Spring on 1999, and another three members during the Spring of 2000. Since its installment the organization has continued to grow in size and in presence. The sisters of Zeta Phi Beta were the first group of students to implement a mentoring program with the students from the School Without Walls High School.

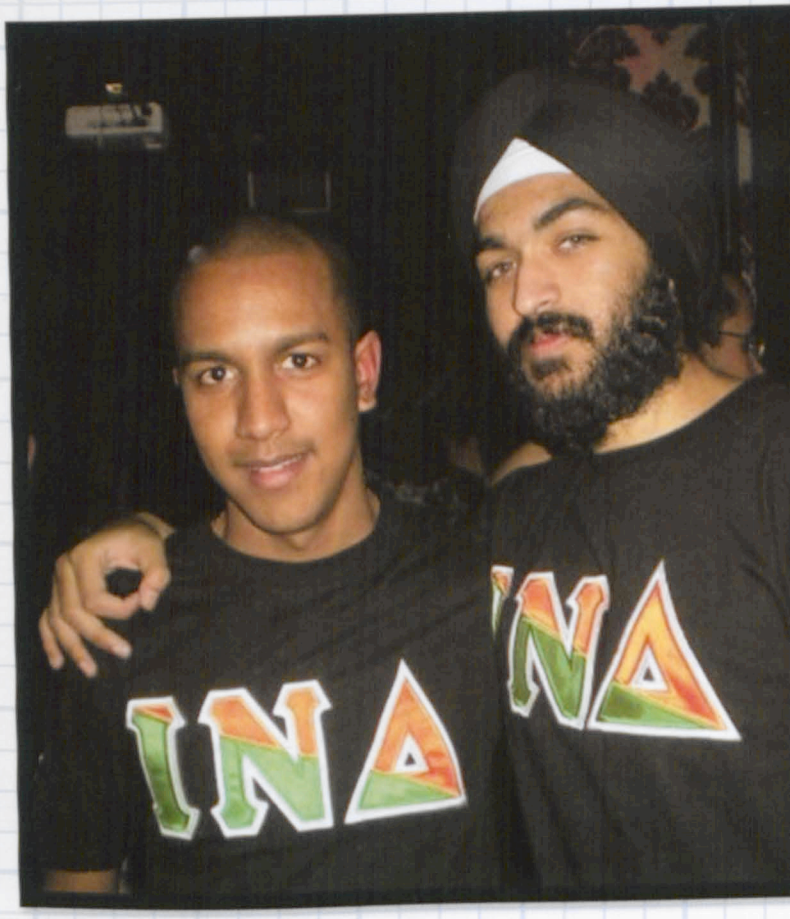
INΔ

(Iota Nu Delta)

Iota Nu Delta was founded on Feb. 7, 1994 at Binghamton University in Binghamton, N.Y. The fraternity served as a South Asian interest organization geared toward men of all descents. During the 2009 calendar year, Dhruv Choudhry was named Chapter President of the Year.



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Soul,
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ΚΑΨ

(Kappa Alpha Psi)

Kappa Alpha Psi was founded on Jan. 5, 1911 at Indiana University Bloomington in Indiana. It was a Greek-lettered fraternity with a predominantly African American membership, including over 150,000 members and 700 undergraduate and alumni chapters in every state of the United States.

ΚΦΛ

(Kappa Phi Lambda)

The Asian-American interest sorority of Kappa Phi Lambda was founded on March 9, 1995 at SUNY Binghamton in Binghamton, N.Y. The GW colony was charted in 2008 by seven women. Kappa Phi Lambda grew throughout the East Coast, Midwest and South and, as a result, was one of the fastest expanding Asian-American interest sororities in the United States.







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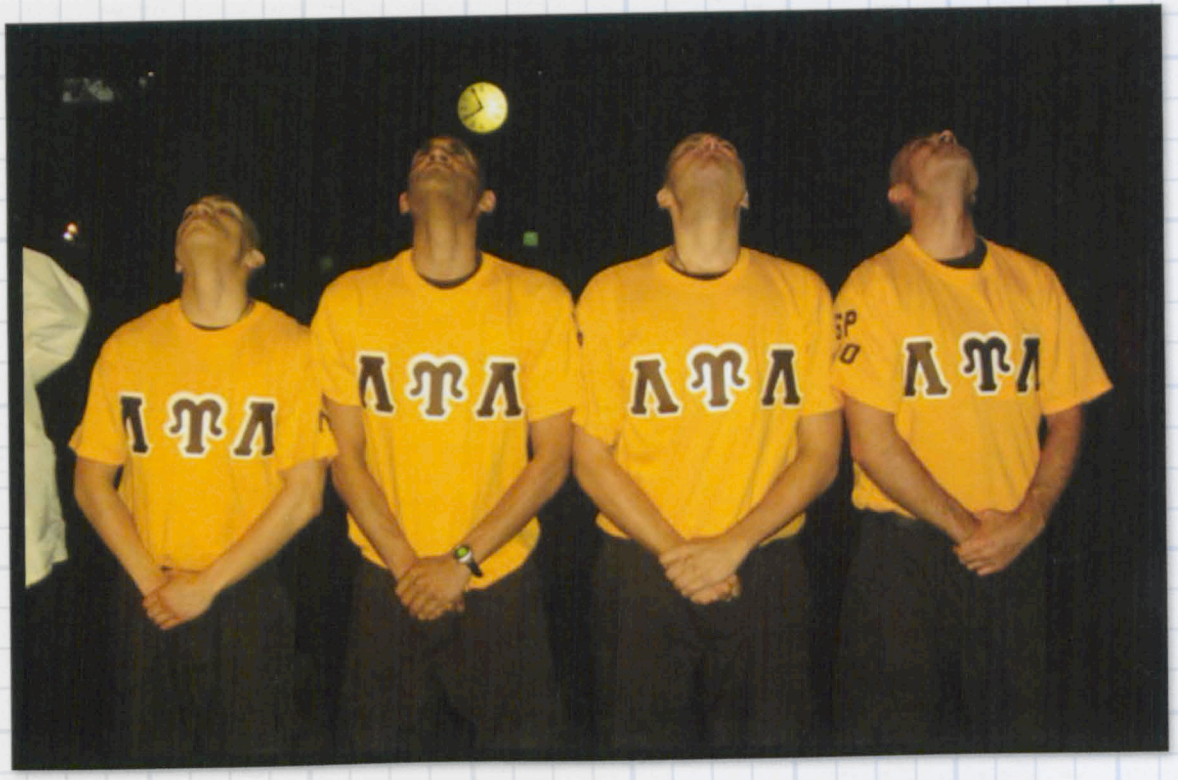
(Lambda Pi Chi)

Lambda Pi Chi was founded on April 16, 1988 at Cornell University in Ithaca, N.Y. and was the first Latina-focused sorority founded at an Ivy League institution. The Las Hermanas de Theta Chapter was chartered by five GW women in 1997 and was the first Latina sorority on campus.

ΛΥΛ

(Lambda Upsilon Lambda)

Lambda Upsilon Lambda was founded on Feb. 18, 1982 at Cornell University in Ithaca, N.Y. The fraternal service organization aimed to unite men in brotherhood in order to serve the Latino community. Members of the Chi Chapter at GW were referred to as Caballeros, or gentlemen and/or knights after they underwent the Leadership Development Process.





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ΠΔΨ

(Pi Delta Psi)

The Asian-American cultural fraternity Pi Delta Psi was founded at Binghamton University in Binghamton, N.Y. The Omicron Chapter was chartered in 2003 by six men at GW who saw a need for an organization at GW to unite men of Asian descent, as well as those interested in Asian culture.

ΣΛΥ

(Sigma Lambda Upsilon)

Sigma Lambda Upsilon was founded on Dec. 1, 1987 at Binghamton University in Binghamton, N.Y. The sorority focused on academia and the Latino community. The Alpha Gamma Chapter was chartered in 2003 by three GW women.

Hasta La Muerte









True to the Colors
Red + Gold
Sisters Forever
Heart + Soul

ΣΨZ

(Sigma Psi Zeta)

Sigma Psi Zeta was founded on March 23, 1994 at the University of Albany in Albany, N.Y. The multicultural, Asian interest sorority was the first East Coast-based Asian sorority. The Pi Chapter was chartered at GW in 2003 by six women.

WITH TENDER LOVING CARE

Housing options gave new meaning to the greek family

Whether Greeks were living in a townhouse, on a floor in International House or in a dorm room, their love for their chapter was undeniable. After all, home is where the heart is.

GW offered various housing options to allow members of Greek life the opportunity to live together. Townhouse Row was home to eight different chapters. For the 2009-2010 school year, Sigma Phi Epsilon, Alpha Phi, Pi Kappa Phi, Sigma Kappa, Delta Gamma, Pi Kappa Alpha and Alpha Delta Pi all called Townhouse Row their home.

International House, which allowed members of various chapters to live together in dorm-style halls, was home to eight chapters. Sororities Sigma Delta Tau, Pi Beta Phi, Chi Omega and Alpha Epsilon Phi and fraternities Sigma Chi, Kappa Alpha Order, Tau Kappa Epsilon and Phi Kappa Psi had floors in the building. I-House was a great alternative for members of chapters that did not have houses who still wanted to live together. Doors were always open and there was a very social atmosphere.

Six chapters had individual houses on campus, including Beta Theta Pi, Alpha Epsilon Pi, Phi Sigma Sigma, Sigma Nu, Sigma Chi and Pi Delta Psi. Additionally, three chapters were housed within the campus boundaries in independently owned houses— Lambda Chi Alpha, Phi Sigma Kappa and Tau Kappa Epsilon. Up to 30 students lived in each chapter house. Members enjoyed a comfortable living environment in their houses, whether they were eating together in the kitchen or teaming up to study in the living room.

Although some members of the Greek community did not take advantage of housing opportunities, those who did live together felt a closer connection to their chapter. Surrounded by their common passion, members that lived together truly became family, giving a new meaning to their sisterhood or brotherhood.

"You can't help wanting to be exceptionally involved in your chapter when you are living with your 30 closest friends who are also your sisters," sophomore Emily Ritchings said. **Natalie Kornicks**








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UP UP AND AWAY

Greek participation took off during Greek Week

All at once the ears of bewildered students perked up, heads raised and eyes widened. The echoes of superhero names could be heard around campus and pieces of cake could be seen flying through the air. Despite appearances, this was not a comic book convention, but Greek Week field day.

Greek Week was a weeklong celebration of Greek life at GW, composed of several events and beginning with a field day in University Yard. The field day included activities such as a cake eating contest, a step-off and a comic book trivia competition. The team with the most of points at the end of the day started the week with the lead.

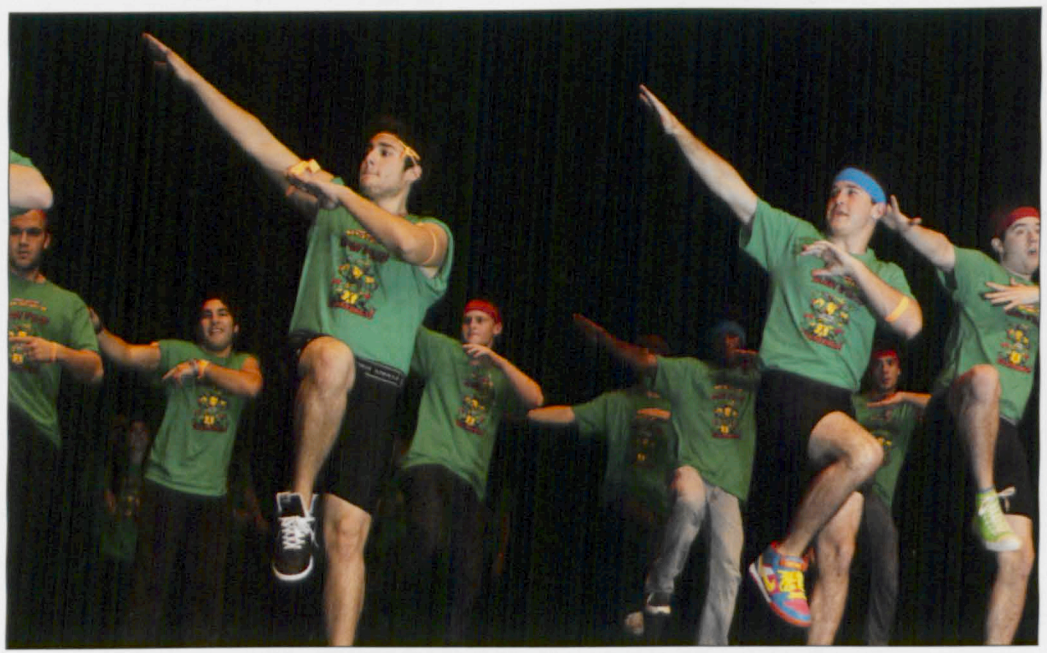
Teams were comprised of various sororities and fraternities. Each Greek organization had their own superhero name, such as Watchmen or the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles. For the first time, a party was held in the Marvin Center to kick off Greek Week. Points were awarded to teams based on attendance and adherence to the superhero costume theme. A comic book hero competition, date auction and skit night followed Greek Week's Field Day. In the end, Team Spiderman, made up of the fraternity Pi Kappa Alpha, the sorority Phi Sigma Sigma and the multicultural Greek organization Delta Sigma Theta, proved victorious.

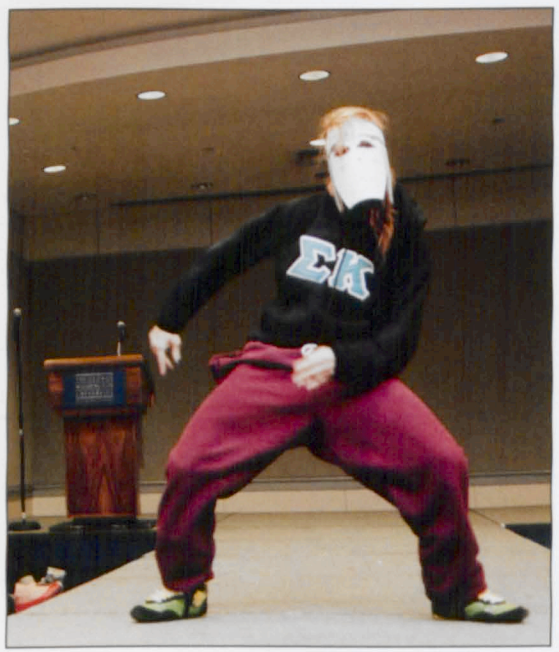
"Our team worked really well together and we made sure to have a lot of participation at every event [sophomore Pi Kappa Alpha brother Joey Hanna said] I definitely think that is what helped us to win Greek Week this year." "This was one of the first times we had an opportunity to interact with the other chapters on our team and it was such a nice experience."

Greek Week was the signature event of GW's Inter-Fraternity Council and Panhellenic Association. The week would not have been possible without the assistance of Dean Harwood and Greek Life's staff.

Although several superheroes were known for working alone, GW Greek chapters combined their powers in an attempt to come out on top. Greek Week was a great opportunity for chapters to spend more time with each other and witness the entire GW Greek community coming together.

Natalie Kornicks





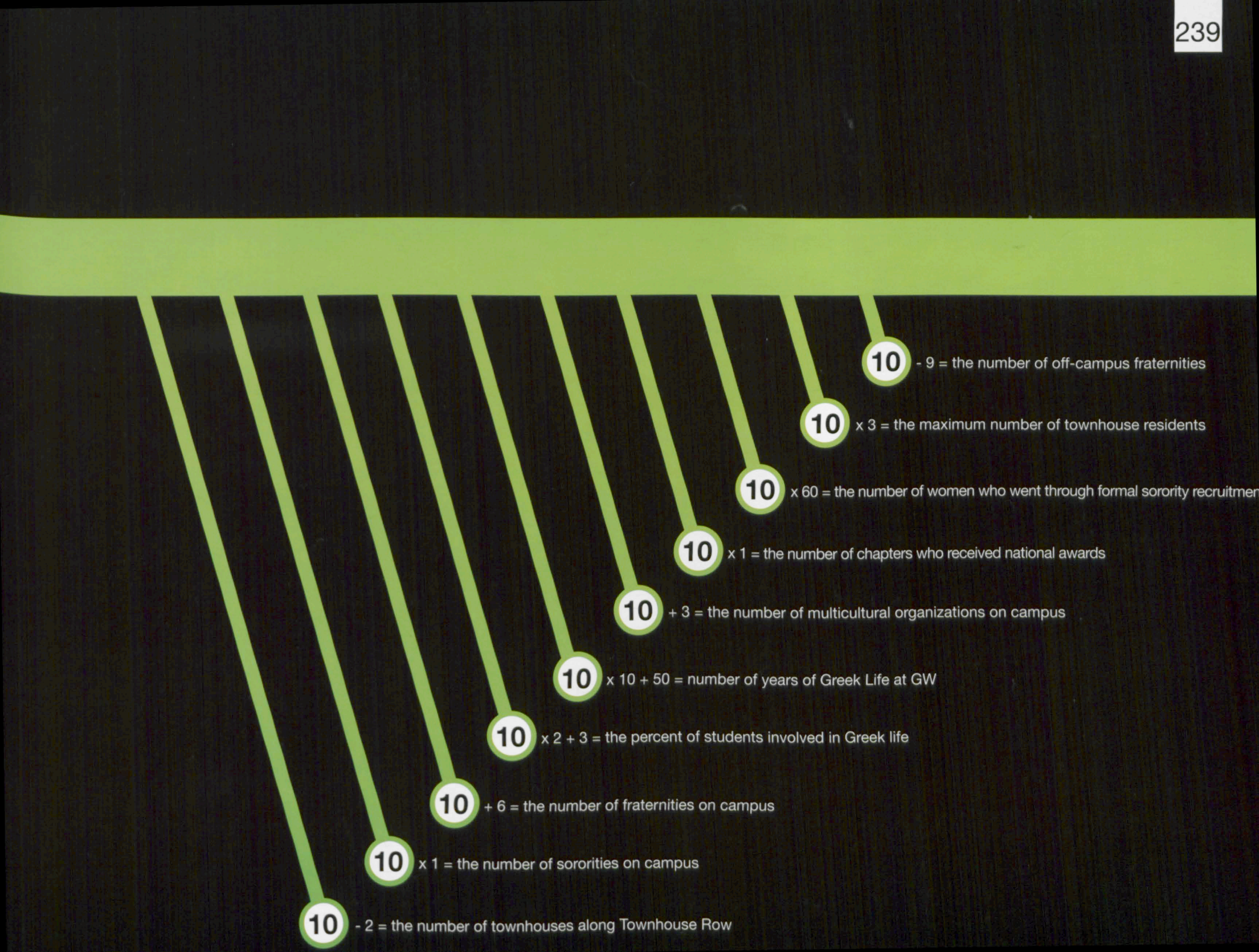



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GREEK LIFE BY THE NUMBERS

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10 - 9 = the number of off-campus fraternities
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10 x 60 = the number of women who went through formal sorority recruitmen
10 x 1 = the number of chapters who received national awards
10 + 3 = the number of multicultural organizations on campus
10 x 10 + 50 = number of years of Greek Life at GW
10 x 2 + 3 = the percent of students involved in Greek life
10 + 6 = the number of fraternities on campus
10 x 1 = the number of sororities on campus
10 - 2 = the number of townhouses along Townhouse Row

ALL IN ATTENDANCE

Greek Excellence Awards

The Grand Ballroom of the Marvin Center buzzed with excitement April 18 in anticipation of the sixth Annual Greek Excellence Awards. All of GW Greek life, including members of the Order of Omega, Inter-Fraternity Council, Multicultural Greek Council and Panhellenic Association, were in attendance. A lively crowd of sorority and fraternity members supported their Greek sisters and brothers as they were recognized for their outstanding achievements.

Hosts Taylor Tibbetts of Alpha Delta Pi and Dhruv Choudryof Iota Nu Delta welcomed the Greek community. Sororities and fraternities, including five new chapters, competed for Gold, Silver and Bronze awards. A committee of students and Greek Life staff selected the winners of the awards.

"Dean Harwood and the entire staff at the Greek office did a beautiful job presenting the awards to each chapter," said Sara Fischer, president of Sigma Delta Tau. "It was a special night."

Although the committee chose the ranking awards, other chapters got to nominate the organizations they believed deserved the prestigious Greek Unity Award. The Greek Unity Awards went to Delta Tau Delta, Latinas Promoviendo Comunidad/ Lambda Pi Chi Sorority, Inc. and Phi Sigma Sigma.

"It was great to see the Delts get the award," freshman Dominic Strada said. "I felt proud to have nominated them."

Individual Greeks were also awarded with special honors. Alek Hanessian of Sigma Phi Epsilon was named the Inter-Fraternity Council's New Member of the Year. Libby Marsh of Alpha Phi was named the Panhellenic Association's New member of the Year, while Rachel McKenley of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. was named the Multicultural Greek Council's new member of the year.

The Greek Excellence Awards ceremony was a special night for many GW Greeks. Eighteen new members were inducted into the Order of Omega.

"The whole event was put together well," said Lily Momeyer, president of Alpha Epsilon Phi. "It was such an amazing way to honor those who have been active within the Greek community." **Natalie Kornicks**

Gold Chapter Award Recipiants:
Pi Kappa Alpha, Latinas Promoviendo Comunidad/Lambda Pi Chi Sorority, Inc., Delta Gamma, Pi Kappa Phi, Alpha Epsilon Pi, Sigma Chi, Pi Beta Phi, Sigma Kappa, Chi Omega, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Alpha Delta Pi, Alpha Phi, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., and Sigma Phi Epsilon.

Silver Chapter Award Recipiants:
Zeta Beta Tau, Beta Theta Pi, Phi Sigma Sigma, Sigma Delta Tau, Phi Kappa Psi, Kappa Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc., and Sigma Psi Zeta Sorority, Inc.

Bronze Chapter Award Recipiants:
Lambda Chi Alpha, Tau Kappa Epsilon, Kappa Sigma, Alpha Epsilon Phi, Pi Delta Psi Fraternity, Inc., and Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.





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BUFF ENOUGH

Fans came out to support basketball teams

Buff and blue spirit filled the Smith Center during Colonials Invasion on Oct. 16, as fans came out to support the GW basketball teams. While the night included dance performances by Capital Funk, the GW Cheer Team and the First Ladies, it was the men's and women's basketball teams that stole the show with their own moves.

"The atmosphere was really intense," women's basketball center Sara Mostafa said. "There was more spirit than usual."

The men's basketball team kicked things off with an original dance mash-up of "Thriller," "Walk It Out" and "Single Ladies." Dressed in crisp white suits, the men danced in sync to a routine they had been working on for over a week and received laughs and applause from the crowd.

"It was an adrenaline rush," men's basketball guard Travis King said. "It was about getting the team together and gettin the fans ready for the season. We need th support this year."

The women also showed a different side of themselves with their own renditio of "Everybody Dance Now." Despite an interruption by a technical malfunction right before women's Head Coach Mike Bozeman and his family were about to



join in with the routine, the women still energized the crowd.

"I've never felt more buff and blue," junior Yovan Jankee said after the event.

Bozeman and men's Head Coach Karl Hobbs both agreed that the teams would perform at a higher level in the upcoming season. Bozeman walked down from the student section to center court, waving his signature towel in the air. His message was clear: this squad "will represent you the way you deserve."

The men's team shared the women's team's hopes and dreams for the upcoming season, realizing the difficulties they had encountered last season. Guard Jeff Alston held up a sign saying "We Believe" as he walked onto the court.

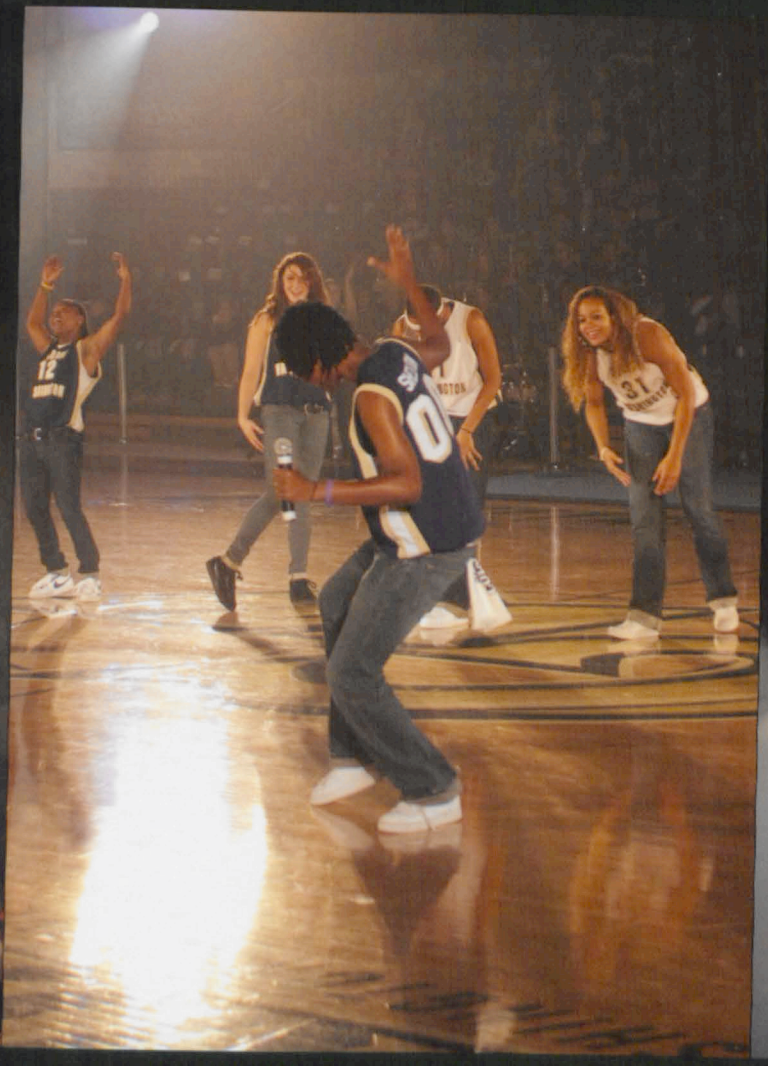
The night also included a performance from Flipping Out, a group that performed trampoline acrobatics. The team of three athletes wore skis and executed high-flying twists and flips in the air as the crowd of students and parents looked on, awed in amazement.

The Chitown Bucketboys performed their fast-paced drumming on paint buckets. They moved so fast it was often difficult to tell where the sticks were as they moved.

"I thought it was really cool," freshman John Soriano said about the production. "The whole thing gets me in the mood for the season."

The night was capped off by a dance performance from GW's hip-hop team Capital Funk. The dance troupe brought their original moves and kept the crowd cheering long after they finished their performance. **Ash McDaniel**









HOME SWEET HOME

A renovated Smith Center gave basketball fans a new home

New seats, new flooring and lights were the newest additions to the Smith Center, which finished its second phase of renovations in time for the start of basketball season. But the Smith Center was not just for GW's basketball players.

"This is one area utilized by the whole student body," Director of Athletics Jack Kvancz said. "For graduations, commencements and the concerts."

The new cushioned blue seats, which were once cramped wooden bleachers, were in place for the upcoming basketball season. Kvancz noted that the seating made the Smith Center look more like an arena than just a gym.

The renovations were not focused only on remodeling the arena.The team locker rooms and weight rooms were completely refurbished. The President's Club offered an exquisite locker room for D.C. residents faculty and staff that consistently used Smith Center facilities. The men's and women's president's clubs both included a TV lounge, personal showers and a sauna.

The improved basement included a squash court and a golf simulator. Adjacent to the President's Club, the renovators finished retiling the pool area and installed new spectator seating.

The renovations were made possible from a $10 million matching gift from the Robert H. Smith and Charles E. Smith Family Foundations and from Robert and Arlene Kogod. Ash McDaniel



NO SLOWING DOWN

Men's cross country team placed at Regionals

As the men crossed the finish line, they often looked as if they had been in trenches rather than running a race. Being covered head to toe in mud and waiting around in the freezing cold were part of the daily routine for a GW cross country runner in 2009.

"We've had a tough go with Mother Nature," Head Coach Brian Beil said. "It's definitely been a season of firsts."

The 2009 men's cross country season was about battling the elements. In October, they competed in the snow. The team withstood harsh rains and mud during the last few weeks of the season.

"Cross country is the only sport that doesn't get rained out," sophomore Dan Kane said.

The team finished 24th overall at the Mid-Atlantic Regionals in Eastern Shore, Md., a loss that denied them a spot to compete at Nationals.

"We didn't start the race right," senior Rob Lockhart said. "We slipped in the mud right in the beginning. There was a lot of fighting in the pack right at the start and we couldn't come back."

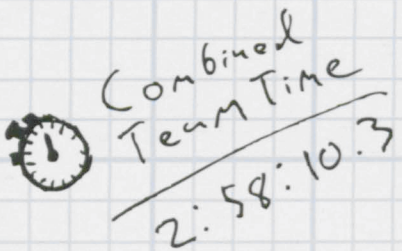
Lockhart noted that the field's conditions made it difficult for them to get a good footing. After starting the race with a disadvantage in positioning, it was hard to get out in front.

Huge puddles and fallen tree branches were also found along the course, making it difficult to navigate.

"I was proud with how we ran all season," Beil said. "[This event] was a learning experience. No matter what the score indicates, we've grown from it."

In 2008, the men didn't receive any team score at Regionals because only three runners made it to the finish line. In 2009, five out of seven runners crossed the finish line, giving the team just enough to earn a score.

"People don't know how tough this sport is," redshirted junior Dan Cartica said. "You look at a big time football player and they get breaks, they get timeouts. But we're running for 30 to 35 minutes nonstop. It's not easy." **Ash McDaniel**









YOUNG TEAM SHOWED PROMISE

Hogan found her stride on way to Nationals

Megan Hogan ran cross country for the first time during her freshman year at Mount Ida College. The 2009 A-10 runner of the year found her stride and kept running.

"She just blossomed," head coach Brian Beil said of Hogan. "She didn't have to unlearn any bad running habits because she didn't have any. She's just taken to the sport like a fish in water."

Hogan transferred to GW as a sophomore and was the first women's runner to achieve All-America status. She placed 27th out of 255 at Nationals her senior year. Hogan was in a high position, but was tripped at the beginning of the race, putting her back in the pack.

"It's an honor," Hogan said. "I feel I could have done better, but I'm proud to be an All American."

At the Mid Atlantic Regionals, Hogan finished 11th overall with a time of 21:01. The women's cross country team came in 18th overall.

Aside from Hogan and her fellow seniors Kelli Willis and Megan Smith, the team was young, with seven freshmen making up the 14-member squad.

"Probably the best team, top to bottom," Beil noted about the team.

The team didn't score enough to make it to Nationals together, but Beil said he was impressed with the team as a whole.

"We didn't finish where we wanted as a team," he said. "But we recruited a lot of young people to make future teams even better." **Ash McDaniel**



"HOGAN RUNS LIKE A MACHINE."

Brian Beil, coach

JUST KICKIN' IT

A tough road did not get Colonials down

A tough schedule was not enough to stop the Colonials from keeping their winning record. Despite a trip out west to play No. 11 California and a difficult road matchup against No. 13 Virginia, by the end of the season, the men's soccer team had a record over .500 because of their focus on teamwork.

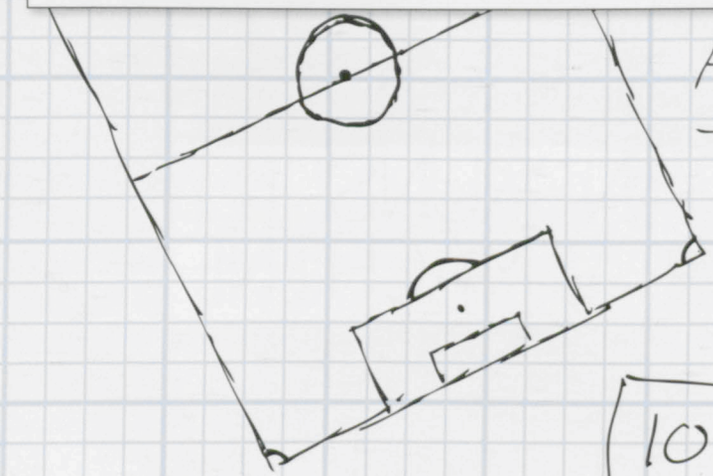
"It's a very close knit group of guys," coach George Lidster said. "Our team spirit got us through those rough patches."

GW (10-8, 4-5 A-10) missed the A-10 tournament by three points, which Lidster attributed to the high number of injuries that plagued the team. Most notably, high-scoring forward Andy Stadler, who pulled his hamstring, had a three game absence.

Despite some setbacks, Stadler finished as the A-10 leading scorer. He also had two hat tricks, adding to his 13-goal finish.

The team showed promise on defense, shutting out seven of their opponents. Three blanks came from freshman goalie Brendan Lafferty, who was out for most of the season after an injury during the Virginia game. Redshirted sophomore Erik Haug stepped in and got four shutouts himself.

"It was disappointing to not be at the A-10 championship, but only six out of 14 teams go," Lidster said. "Overall, the team played well." **Ash McDaniel**

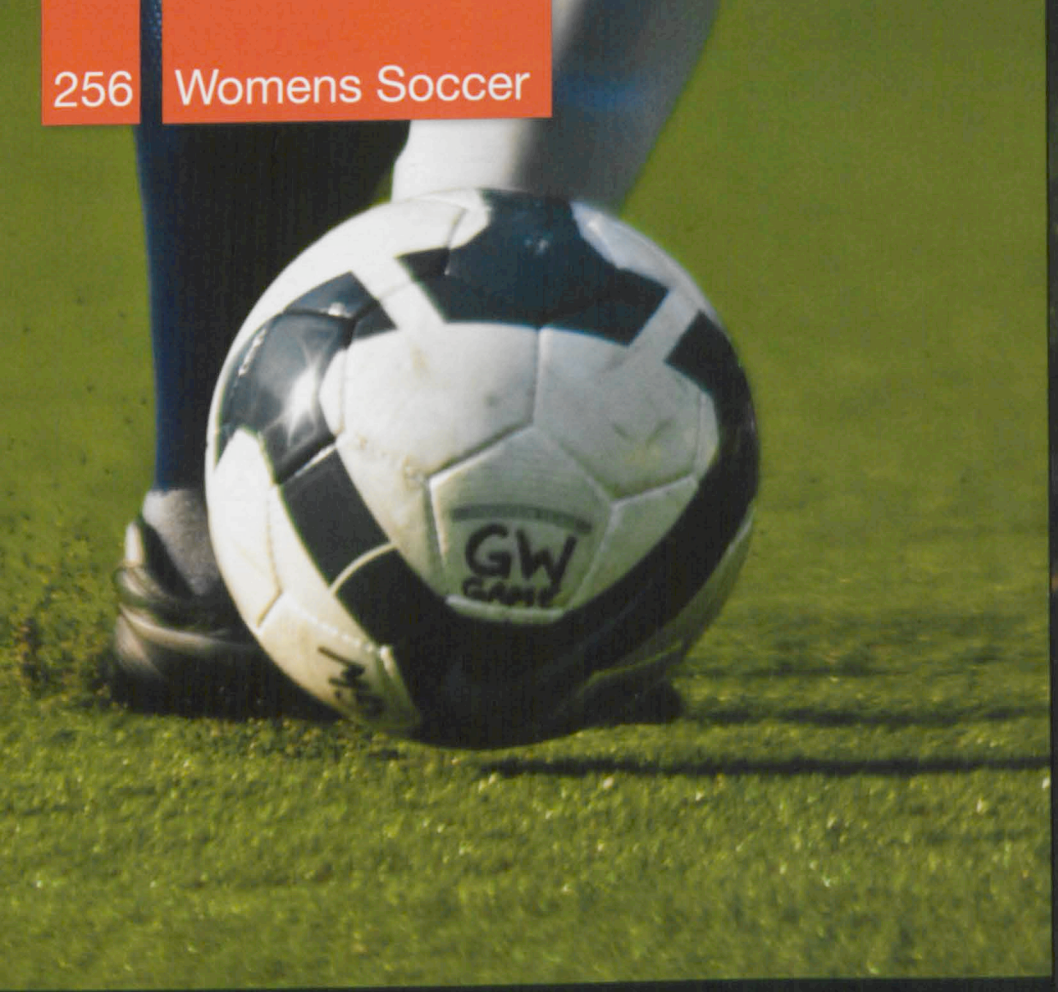


Andy Stadler
-35 career Goals
at GW

10-8 = 55% win Percentage







"I PRAISE OUR TEAM FOR BEING ABLE TO COME TOGETHER LIKE THEY DID TO COMPETE IN EVERY MATCH THIS FALL."

Tanya Vogel, coach





NOT READY TO GIVE UP

Women gave a full effort even without postseason

The women's soccer team knew they were short of an A-10 playoff from the start. They knew the final game wouldn't matter in the standings, but the team was not ready to give up on their season. According to Assistant Coach Lane Davis, the women always went on the field with their "tear 'em up" attitude.

"I told the girls prior to the game that this game was about us," head coach Tanya Vogel said. "It was about showing themselves that they are a classy and talented group of individuals who form a fantastic team. They did that for themselves and I couldn't have been more proud on that day—to fight back, on the road, against a good team, with character and talent."

In their last game of the season, the Colonials beat conference rival Rhode Island after goalkeeper Lindsey Rowe held the Rams scoreless in an overtime shootout.

GW (7-8-4, 4-5-2 A-10) was a young team, with ten players taking on new starting positions. The team hoped to qualify for the A-10 and fell just one point short of their goal. Vogel explained that there were more important goals on their minds this season.

"We took the emphasis off of winning and worked to meet our goals during training and in games," she said. "All season, [the girls] were the ones to wake up at 6 a.m., jump on the Vern Express and train for two hours before heading in to lift for another hour. They are the ones who sacrifice."

Midfielder Brittany Eger led the Colonials in points, scoring ten goals throughout the season, and gave GW their last win over Rhode Island. Midfielder Ashley Starks also had an impressive scoring record with nine goals during the season.

"Brittany Eger is a fantastic athlete who has always had a knack for the goal," Vogel said. "She made the most of her goals this year, scoring game tying and game winners in big games. She will never forget her final game as she sent the Colonials out on an up note." **Ash Mcdaniel**

FIRST RATE TEAM

Team takes home two tourney wins

Confidence took GW's volleyball team to the next level in 2009. After winning the D.C. Classic, where they beat elite teams Georgetown, George Mason and American University, the Lady Colonials became the number one team at the Towson Invitational.

They rose to capture the No. 5 seed at the A-10 tournament, but were ousted in the first round by No. 4 Temple.

"We had chances to win," Coach Jojit Cornel said. "We just didn't capitalize on them. We got a little nervous."

Despite some early season losses against Charlotte and Saint Louis, GW bounced back with key wins over fellow A-10 teams, Rhode Island and Fordham and surged on to become a national competitor.

"We've accomplished so much this season," Cornel said. "Getting 21 wins puts you on the top of college volleyball."

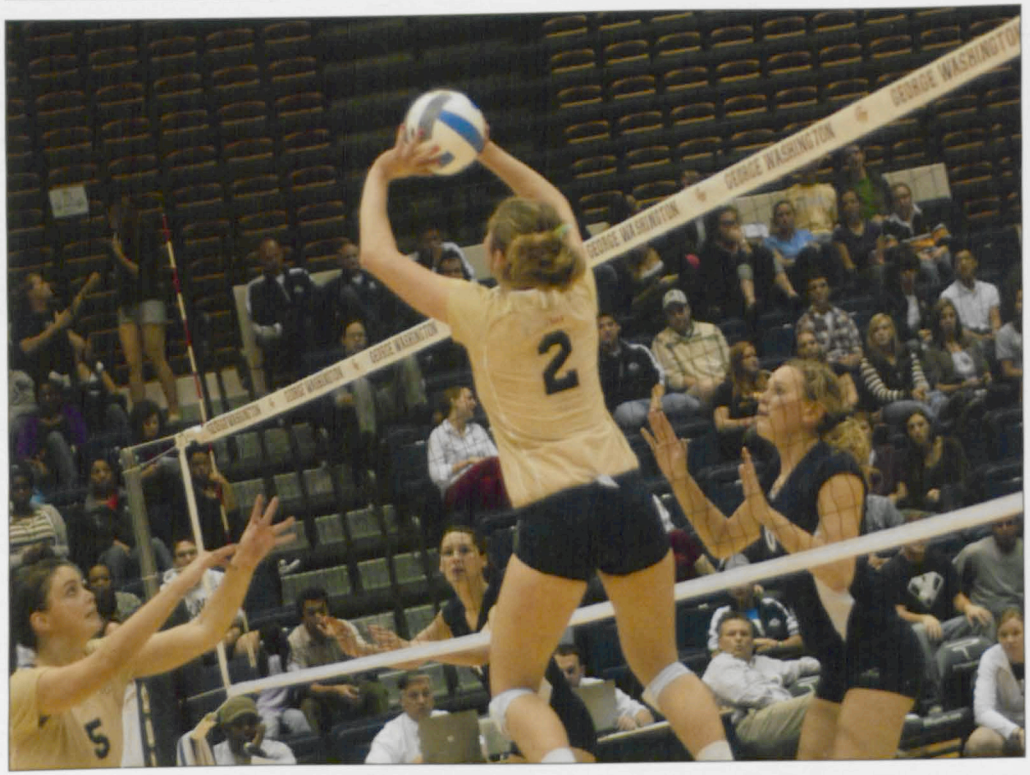
GW (21-11, 8-7 A-10) suffered a regular season loss to Temple (13-11, 9-6 A-10) earlier in the season, but was able to hold them scoreless in their second regular season game the Smith Center.

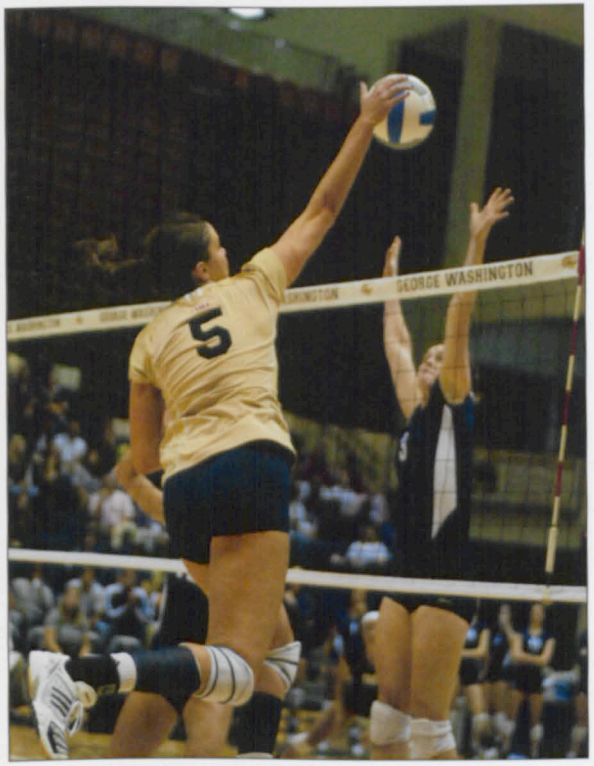
"Temple was a good matchup for us in the A-10," Cornel said. "Even though we lost, we played really well in that game."

Senior Katie Butz was honored with a spot on the A-10 All-Conference Second Team. Butz led the Colonials with 442 points and 395 kills in the 2009 season.

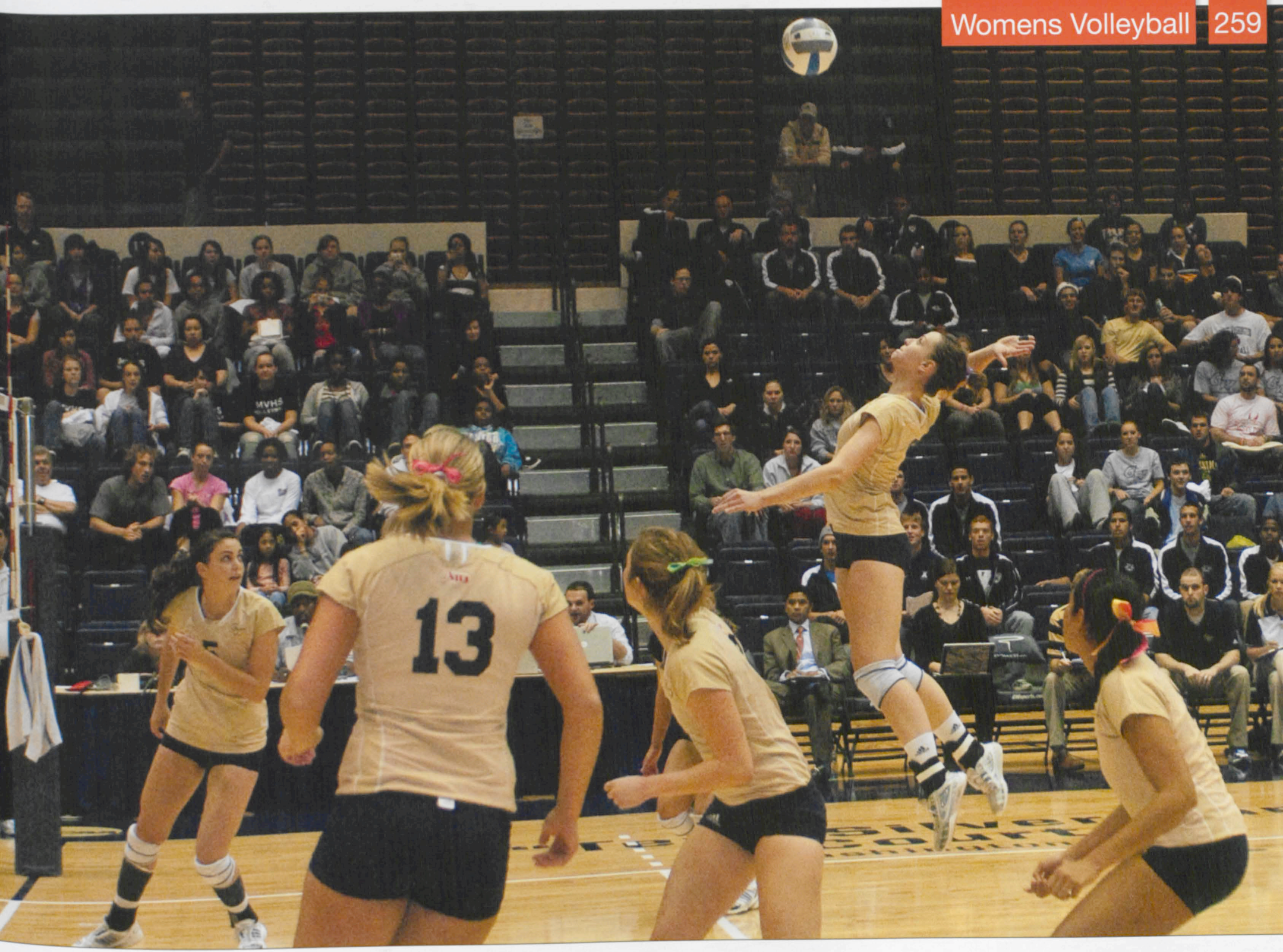
"She played really well [Coronel said of Butz] She was in the top 10 in the conference."

Freshman teammates Candace Silva-Martin and Lauren Whyte were also given A-10 honors after being chosen for the A-10 All-Rookie team. **Ash McDaniel**








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ALL ABOUT POTENTIAL

Young team created strong base for future

With nearly two-thirds of the team new to GW water, the men's 2009-2010 swimming season was a building year. Though they had mostly freshmen on the team, they didn't let their youth fool anyone when they hit the water.

The team managed a big win against Georgetown early in the season at home. The swimmers looked back on that game as a motivator for the rest of the season.

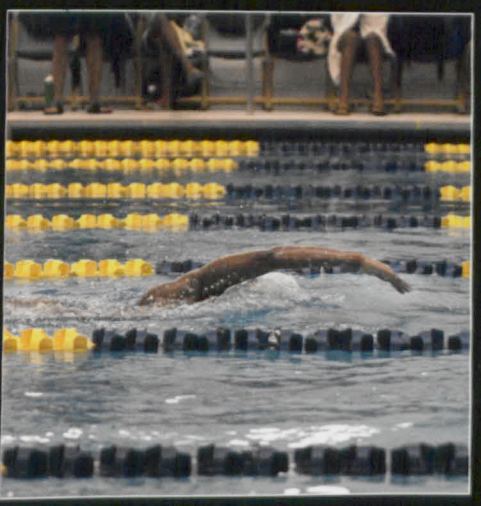
"It is always good to get a win, but having it be at home against cross-town rival Georgetown made it even better," captain and junior Andrew Maguire said.

The team performed well early on and was able to conquer their youth and inexperience, even sending many freshmen to the A-10 tournament.

"The biggest challenge that we were able to overcome was having our young team perform to their potential through the end of the season," Maguire said.

Freshman Niklas Glenesk placed seventh in the 1650-yard freestyle at the A-10 tournament in Buffalo, N.Y. in mid-Feburary. Glensk's time of 16:12.78 was ranked seventh all-time for GW in the event.

The team finished the A-10 ranked eight of eight teams, which was a disappointing end for the team. Still, Maguire said that the season was overall a success and that it was a good foundation for the future of the team. **Ash McDaniel**








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SLOW AND STEADY

Team takes home two tourney wins

The GW women's swimming team started off slow in the water, losing their first few meets because of swine flu and injuries throughout the season. The flu left many women out of the pool and without enough time to practice for the first few weeks of the season.

"We had some injuries and illness that, when combined with the team's small numbers, didn't help in terms of a focused, driven team attitude," women's captain and senior Katrina Timlin said.

The team turned around soon after facing Georgetown at home in late October. Though the team didn't get the win, Timlin said it was a wake-up call because they realized that, with a little more work, they could go far that season.

"The atmosphere in the pool was like nothing I've seen before," Timlin said. "It was so loud and enthusiastic. From then on, people started pushing themselves harder in practice."

Mid-season, the team decided to put together a special intense training program which included running, outside drills and swimming over 12,000 yards a day. The program was intended not only to prepare the team for the last stretch of the season, but also to motivate them.

The women grabbed their first and only home win against Howard on Senior Day on Jan. 22. Four seniors were honored at the Smith Center pool before the meet. It was the last home game of the season and proved to be one of the team's best.

"That was dedication," Timlin said. "Regardless of what else is going on, we always tried to come to practice with a good attitude and put in our best effort in the pool."

Ash McDaniel







MAKING HISTORY

Squash team reached top 20 for first time

The men's squash team overcame a big hurdle during the 2009-2010 season, when they broke into the Collegiate Squash Top 20 for the first time in the team's eight year history. The men were lifted to 20th after the team captured a win over Colby College at Yale's Round Robin Tournament on Jan. 17.

"I believed in this team and had confidence going into nationals," senior Matt Grossman said. "We had some solid wins [that] year and they served as a motivational boost heading into nationals."

The men went to the Collegiate Squash Association National competition in New Haven, Conn. on Feb. 19. The Colonials took away a win in the first round of Nationals with a resounding 8-1 victory over Stanford. The team was eliminated in the semifinals against Tufts and Middlebury.

The Colonials opened their season with a resounding 9-0 win over cross-town rival Georgetown and followed up with key wins over Vanderbilt, Stanford and Hobart. Though the team went on to drop a few games in the middle of the season, they were able to rebound back and end the year ranked fourth in their division.

"This team is definitely young, but by far the best team I have ever played on," Grossman said. **Ash McDaniel**

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Matt Grossman, senior





WINNING THE CUP

Women took home divisional win at Nationals

The Colonials took the Walker Cup at the 2010 National Team Competition after winning all three of their divisional matches. The team put up W's against Saint Lawrence, Wesleyan and Vasser College. The divisional win elevated the women's squash team to No. 17 nationally.

According to head coach Maura Myers, conditioning made the difference for the women's squash team in 2010. The team spent extra time in the gym before the season started and credited these additional hours for their strong finish.

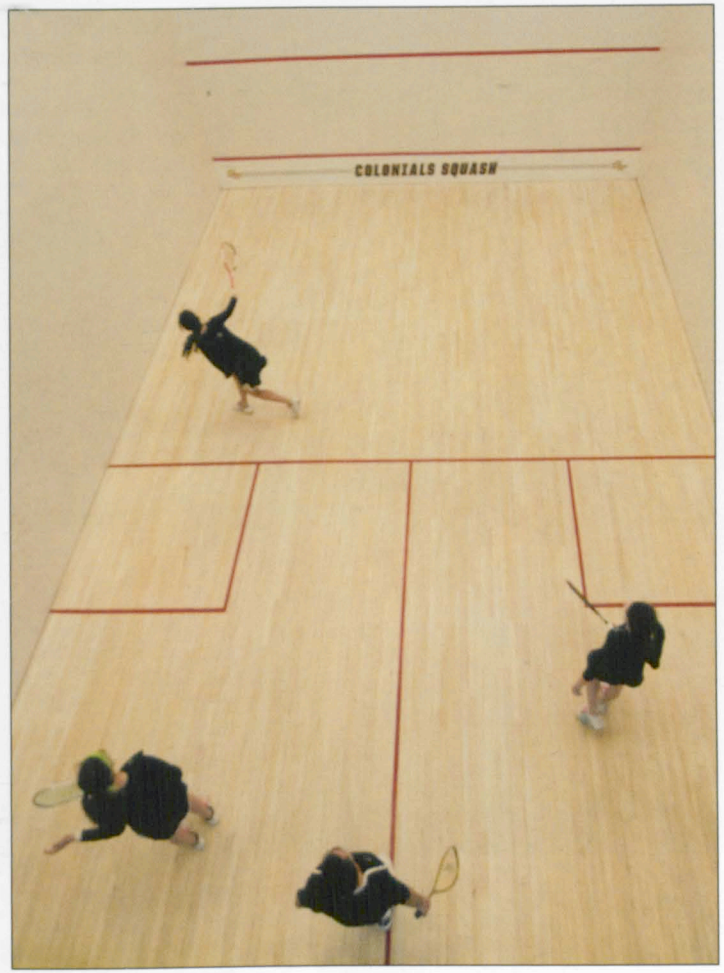
"Everyone is healthy because of the extended time spent with the strength and conditioning coach," Myers said. "We also avoided the swine flu."

Despite an 8-1 win over Virginia to start the season, the team was hesitant about how they would fare down the line.

"In the beginning of the year, the team was intimidated a little," Myers said. "But we had some key wins this year that have boosted our confidence."

Their biggest wins of the season came against Georgetown and Virginia, where the Lady Colonials went 9-0 and 8-1 respectively. The double-header was the team's last of the season before they made their way to Nationals, when they dropped only seven matches during the entire tournament.

Ash McDaniel



SPIRIT RENEWED

The men's basketball team captivated GW fans with their impressive play

With less than four minutes left in the A-10 tournament, the Colonials were only one basket behind the Flyers. Senior Damian Hollis led his team with 19 points, but it wasn't enough to take Dayton down at home. The Colonials may have had a 70-60 loss, but their season wasn't over yet.

GW was given home field advantage in the College Basketball Invitational, where Hollis shined with a career-high of 30 points. It wasn't enough to beat out Virginia Commonwealth, but head coach Karl Hobbs said the chance at a second life was important to the team.

"We were excited about the challenge [Hobbs said] We were excited about playing." "You could see the enthusiasm from our guys. They played with no worries and we went out and tried to win a basketball game."

Though it brought a tough loss and early A-10 exit, the 2009-2010 season for GW basketball was a resurgence for the team. After being absent from the conference tournament for two years, the 10th-seeded Colonials grabbed a spot in the tourney and showed they were a force to be reckoned with in the A-10. GW also improved to a 16-win season while touting a young team equipped with five freshmen—including Lasan Kromah, who made the A-10 All Rookie Team.

"Anytime you get a time to play in the postseason with such a young team, it gives them a sense of renewed confidence and hunger for the next year," Hobbs said.

The Colonials' season started off with a 66-49 win over cross-town rival George Mason, igniting the buff and blue spirit in the Smith Center. The first half was a nearly shot for shot battle, but after halftime, the Colonials put up 15 unanswered points in six minutes and jumped ahead for good.

The rivalry brought Mason fans to the Smith Center, leading to a Colonials and Patriots exchange of cheers and jeers back and forth off the court. Hollis said the "extreme amount of energy" from the fans made a difference.

"[The fans] captured the imagination of the George Washington University," President Steven Knapp said. Knapp had attended the game decked out in Colonials gear.

GW fans started a campaign to bring out Colonials' spirit and even set up a Web site— BeatGeorgeMason.com— to ensure that the home team would have the most fans. The Colonial Army brought students out to the game with barbeques and other events during the day to ignite spirit at GW. The game touted over 4,125 fans and a sea of buff and blue could be seen, marred by only a hint of Mason green. **Ash McDaniel**





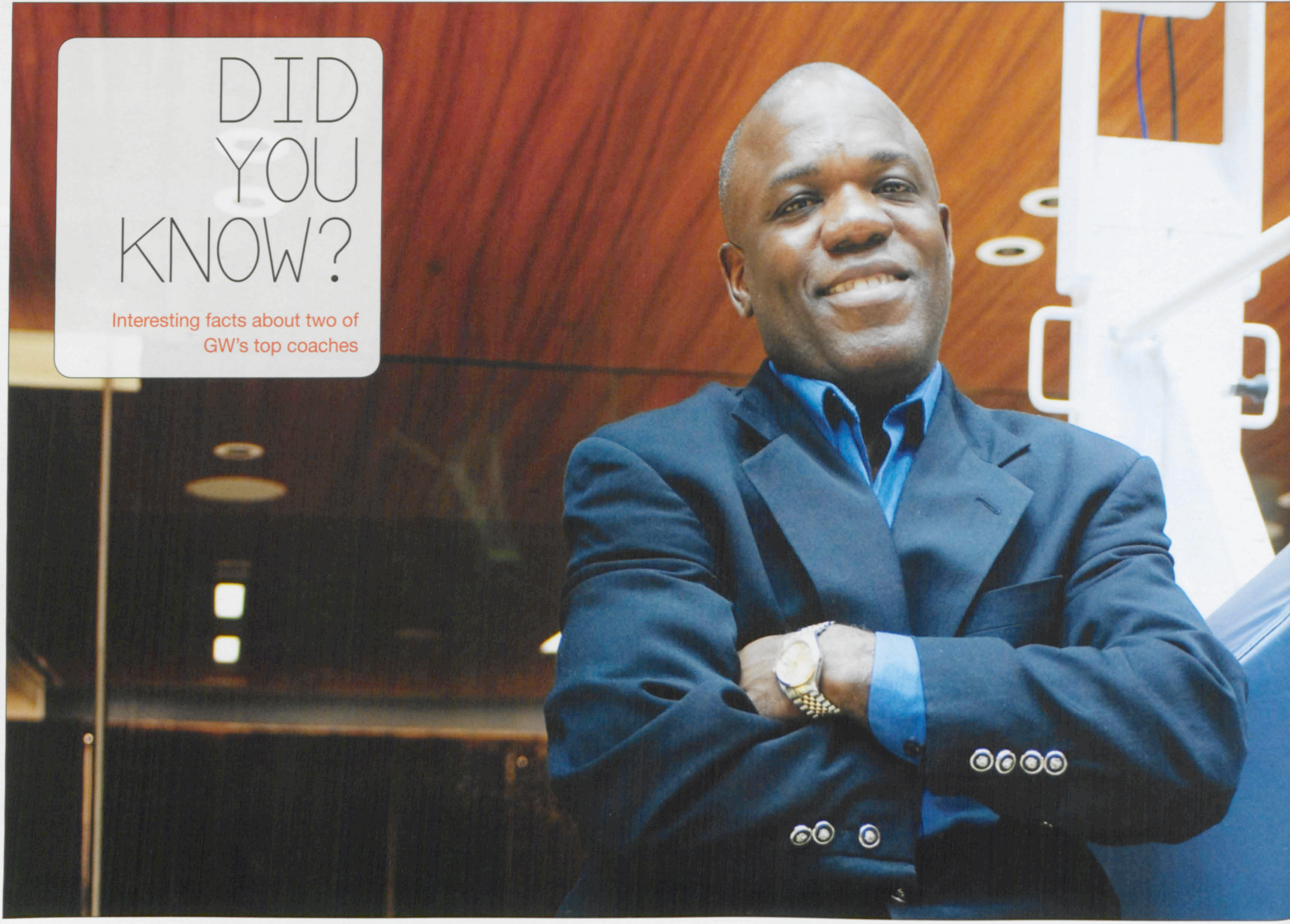


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Karl Hobbs, coach

DID YOU KNOW?

Interesting facts about two of GW's top coaches



Hobbs

Karl Hobbs: Men's head basketball coach

- Hobbs had an early passion for basketball and started playing the game at nine years old.

- When was not on the sidelines with the Colonials, he was often on the links playing golf.

- A native of Massachusetts, Hobbs loved watching the Boston Celtics.

- Issah Thomas was his favorite player growing up.

- His favorite thing to watch on TV was Sportscenter.

- He originally wanted to be a real estate developer.

Bozeman

Mike Bozeman: Women's head basketball coach

- When he was younger, Bozeman wanted to be a police officer.

- Bozeman started watching basketball at age seven.

- His favorite player was George Gervin, who spent most of his career with the Spurs.

- Besides cheering on the Buff and Blue, he liked Morgan State because it was his brother's team.

- When he was not on the sidelines coaching the Lady Colonials, Bozeman spent most of his time with his family—five daughters and wife Wendy.

- Bozeman also liked watching boxing on TV.

- Aside from his passion for sports, the coach was also a published poet.


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YOUNG GUNS

Despite few upperclassmen, the GW women made it to the A-10

With six freshmen and four sophomores, the GW women's basketball team knew it had a lot to overcome. After junior Ivy Abiona incurred an injury and was unable to play for the season, the Lady Colonials had to step up their game.

"In spite of everything, our freshmen, as well as sophomores, accepted the challenge of maturing with the progression of the season [sophomore Tiana Myers said] Our record is no indicator of how hard we fought, how much we stuck together, or how much we have grown as a team or as individuals."

The No. 11 Colonials managed to make it to the A-10. In a game against the sixth-seeded Duquesne, GW was down by seven, but with a 12-3 run in four minutes, GW nabbed the lead. The nail biter went to the Dukes, beating out GW 61-58, but the team said they were impressed with their performance throughout the season.

"We grew tremendously as a team and learned many lessons," sophomore Sara Mostafa said. "Also, the game situations that we went through that season were valuable tools."

The Colonials rallied late in the season with big wins over A-10 rivals La Salle and Massachusetts on the road. GW snapped a six game skid with a home win over La Salle led by sophomore Kay-Kay Allums, who posted a career-high 21 points. Mostafa added to the Colonials win with her fourth double-double of the season over the La Salle Explorers.

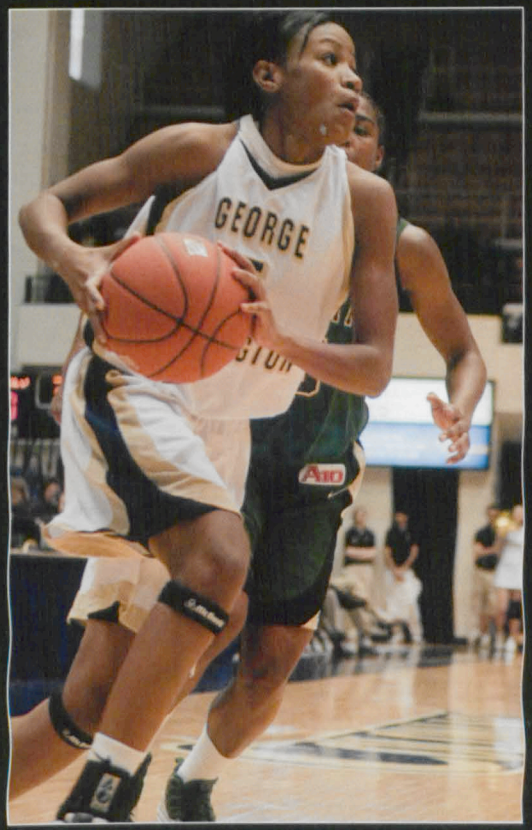
"My coaches told me that I would be able to get the ball inside and I believed them, and I believe in myself," Mostafa said after the win over La Salle.

GW's next hurdle was an unusually early 11:45 a.m. tip-off against the Minutewomen in Massachusetts. The 64-54 win helped the Lady Colonials contend for a seat at the A-10 tournament. The win was especially significant for freshman Megan Nipe, who scored a personal best 18 points after she had undergone surgery for a recurring injury.

"That young lady has been through so much," Bozeman said. "To come back from reconstructive knee surgery in the short period of time she did, and then to fight through all these practices and these losses and all the pain she goes through night in and night out—that's a great pleasure for me to see her hit the shots she's used to hitting. That brings me great joy."

Nipe and the rest of the freshman Colonials endured a lot during the season, but proved they had fight in them when they made it to the A-10.

"We figured out how to mesh with one another on the court," Nipe said. "And that's a big thing for such a young team." **Ash McDaniel**







THE COURTSIDE PRESIDENT

Obama and his family attended their first GW basketball game

In the fall of 2009, President Barack Obama followed in the footsteps of his predecessor President Bill Clinton. This time it wasn't in politics, but in basketball, as Obama and his family came out for their first GW men's basketball game.

"Not only can GW students brag about how they are one in a handful of colleges and universities in the world that had a sitting United States president attend an athletic event, but we've had two," said Jason Wilson, assistant director of GW Athletics.

Although many GW students were home for Thanksgiving break during Obama's visit, the students that were still on campus caught a glimpse and, in some cases, received a handshake from the commander in chief.

"It was exciting. Everyone was going crazy," freshman Daniel Wright said. "When the game was over, President Obama and Michelle were walking out and even took the time to shake everyone's hand."

The Colonials faced Oregon State, marking the first time a Pac-10 team ever played in the Smith Center. Though Obama was on GW turf, he cheered for Oregon State. First Lady Michelle Obama's brother, Craig Robinson, was the head coach of men's basketball for the Oregon State Beavers.

The First Family sat on the visitors' side of the student section, next to the Colonial Army. Obama snacked on popcorn, while his daughter, Sasha, sat on his lap. Mrs. Obama and Malia were constantly engaged in conversation. Obama's mother-in-law, Marian Robinson, was also in attendance.

Students cheered loudly for their Colonials, but for most of the game, their eyes were fixed on the president.

"I felt very honored and excited that not only was the president attending a GW basketball game, but he also sat about 30 seats away from my row," graduate student Kayla Wright said. "It's incredible to live in the same neighborhood as the president of the United States and have the chance to attend basketball games with him."

The game ended with a 64-57 Oregon State victory after a late rally by the Colonials fell short. Students remarked that even though their team was defeated, this was an experience to remember. The crowd gave the First Family a standing ovation as they left.

"It was one of the most surreal experiences I've had here at GW," junior Joe Steigman said. "I'm just walking around the Smith Center and 'Oh hey there Mr. President.' Only at GW." **Ash McDaniel**

ROWING ON

Team placed sixth at A-10 Tourney

Bad weather wasn't enough to keep the Colonials down. The A-10 tournament, held in Pennsauken, N.J., provided tailwinds and some choppy waters, but it wasn't enough to stop the women's rowing team. The Colonials placed sixth at the A-10 tournament, posting a score of 30 and trailing behind fifth place Fordham by just one point. At the tournament, head coach Eric Carcich was happy with the team's performance.

"Another good day of racing and I'm quite happy with our overall effort," Carcich said. "We raced hard and made some nice adjustments."

The GW Invitational on April 9 touted sunny skies and calm water, as well as a clean sweep of A-10 rival Dayton by the Colonials. The rowing team went head-to-head with Dayton in four contests, coming out on top of the Flyers in all of them. They finished overall fourth out of eight competitors, tying with Georgetown at 54 points.

The GW Invitational was held every April in conjunction with the Cherry Blossom Festival. The cherry blossoms were at their height as the weekend of the race approached, drawing more tourists to the Georgetown Waterfront to watch the races. **Ash McDaniel**





LET'S ROW

Men's rowing stayed strong all season

The men's rowing team was quick to strike in the season, with notable wins at Occoquan Chase where the team took first and a seventh place finish at Princeton Chase. But with a long season ahead of them, their good start in the fall would need to be strong. The rowing offseason lasted four months, but instead of wavering, the men's rowing team prevailed with surprising results, winning in their first matchup of 2010 against the University of Pennsylvania.

"It's easy to lose your focus in a long offseason," senior Dominic Abruzzese said. "But we used Penn as our focus, and really ramped up for that."

The race in Pennsylvania was won by over two seconds, with the Colonials clocking in at 5:39.1 and Penn finishing at 5:41.5. The meet also gave the Colonials an edge in the Varsity Eight rankings, with them tied for the 14th spot with Navy. The rank was the highest in school history for the first week of play.

The Colonials continued in the same spirit as the fall competitions, with big wins over Rutgers and Georgetown coming in the spring races. In their fourth meet back, GW won the Varsity Eight race in New Brunswick on April 25. The win was a special one for the Colonials as it clinched their victory for the George Cup—a competition that pins GW against rival Georgetown. The win represented the second year in a row that GW routed the Hoyas in men's rowing.

It wasn't always smooth sailing for the team. The Colonials welcomed new coach Mark Davis. Though Davis said he had done well with the program, he admitted that transitioning to a new coaching position was not always a smooth process.

"There's always challenges… being the new coach," Davis said. "I coach differently, but these guys bonded well to what I was trying to do with the program."

The Colonials said they were ready for anything this season, even with the hurdles along the way.

"We [were] getting down and dirty and ready to go," junior Craig Helmstetter said. "[We] didn't take any stroke for granted. Every second, every minute of practice, [we] went after it."

Ash McDaniel and **Elizabeth Traynor**





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Margie Foster-Cunningham, coach

RAISING THE BAR

Gymnastics team soared at Regionals

The GW gymnastics team participated in competitions across the country in 2010 and worked for hours during the week to train for each meet.

"The team was slow out of the gate," head coach Margie Foster-Cunningham said. "We came on really strong at the end after building a great foundation"

Senior Megan Quinn finished 14th overall at the regional finals meet on April 11. Quinn was one of three gymnasts competing in the finals. Junior Leslie Delima led the team in the vault competition while Quinn and freshman Kayla Carto dominated on floor exercise, both earning a 9.7. The team finished overall with a 38.250 for Quinn, 37.950 for Carto and 37.875 for Delima.

The 2010 East Atlantic Gymnastics League, which took place days earlier, proved to be a positive meet for GW gymnastics. Though the team did not take home the competition title, they did have 11 routines that scored a 9.7 or above and their team scored a total of 193.575.

Their most competitive meet came against Towson on senior night, when the Colonials earned their season-high with a team score of 193.650. The Lady Colonials were led by Quinn, who scored a career-high 38.750 in the all-around of her final home meet. Junior Leslie Delima scored a 38.925 in the all-around.

The Colonials shined in their floor routines, but also saw an impressive performance by senior Lindsay Tom on the balance beam.

"We had challenges early on and had to adapt and adjust our line-up to finish as strong as we did," Foster-Cunningham said. **Ash McDaniel**


Wilson

PLAYING TOUGH

Men's team showed determination at tournament

Experience and confidence drove the 2009-2010 season for the men's tennis team and culminated in the Colonials earning the No. 1 seed going into the A-10 Tournament.

"I am proud of the hard work the team put into that year," head coach Greg Munoz said. "[We went] into this tournament with the mindset that we must fight to win every match at every position."

The Colonials' determination elevated them to the final round, defeating Richmond and Temple along the way. The win over Temple showcased the team's ability to handle pressure, as the deciding point in the contest rested on junior Erik Hannah's singles matchup, which he won in straight sets—6-4, 6-4. During the tournament, the Colonials also went on a five-match winning streak.

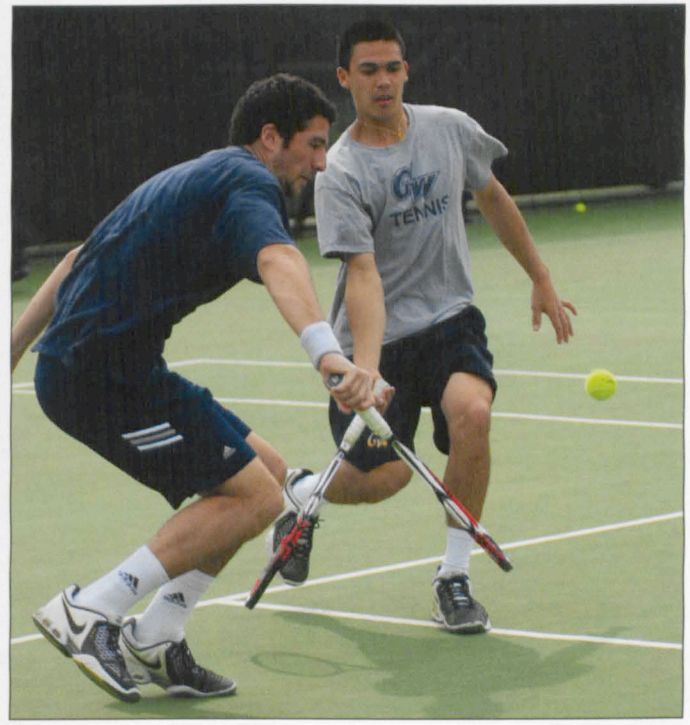
GW was eliminated from play in a nail-bitter 4-3 loss to Xavier in the finals, but still had a strong showing for the team. Sophomore Ugur Atalay helped the Colonials with a tough three-set match 6-3, 4-6, 7-5. Co-captain Hannah went on to win his singles match again in straight sets, while junior Chris Kushma also took his singles match in straight sets. The Colonials dropped the No. 2 and No. 3 doubles matches, which ultimately decided the game.

"Everybody left everything on the court and we came so close to winning," Kushma said. "I am very proud of everyone."

The men entered the tournament after going on a three game home win streak over Howard, James Madison and Longwood, giving them an extra boost of confidence going into the tournament. Hannah was confident that the season was a great one for the team because they always felt good about their performance.

Ash McDaniel





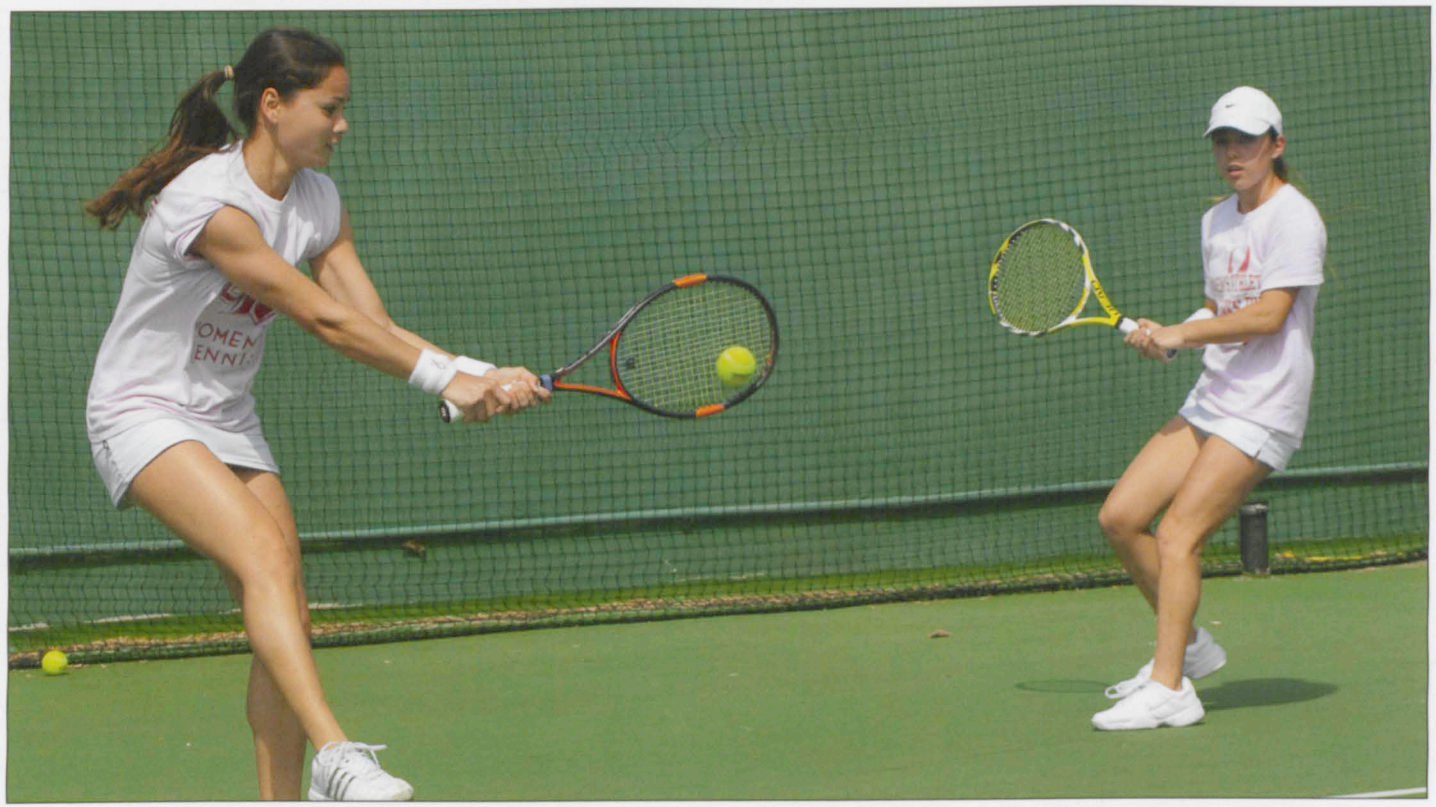
TOP SPOT

Women grabbed top seed in tourney

The Colonials nabbed a top seeded spot in the A-10 tournament where they easily won their first four games, but were eliminated from the April tournament Richmond after dropping four sets.

The women's tennis team showed their resolve in the 2009-2010 season after battling out wins at the local George Mason tournament, including a 3-2 victory over the home team. Sophomore Jaqueline Corba earned her point with a win in straight sets, 6-2, 6-1. The Colonials carried their hot bats into the doubles round with junior Nadia Demidenko and sophomore Zoe Krohn winning 6-3, 6-0, and freshman Dorota Lysienia and senior Michele Style taking their match 6-0, 6-3.

The team was also able to close up their regular season with a comforting win at home against Towson. The women started their last home game of the season by taking all three double matches over the Tigers. Style and freshman Mimi Hamling started the day off as the No. 1 doubles pair winning 8-4. Corba teamed up with junior Jennifer Hirsh, also going 8-4 and rounding out the pairs were freshmen Sasha Gluck and Hilary Kustoff, who won 8-0. Corba and Hamling ended the day with a sweep of the singles matches, giving the Colonials a 7-0 win over Towson overall. This also extended Corba and Hamling's streaks to three wins in a row. **Ash McDaniel**







AQUA MEN

Water polo players worked hard to improve

After big wins over Gannon University and Washington and Jefferson College in the Southern Division Championship, GW men's water polo was still one place shy of reaching the Regional competition. The Colonials placed fifth after two stunning wins, but an early loss to Johns Hopkins ended their post-season push.

"It was a very up and down season," head coach Scott Reed said. "Things just weren't going our way."

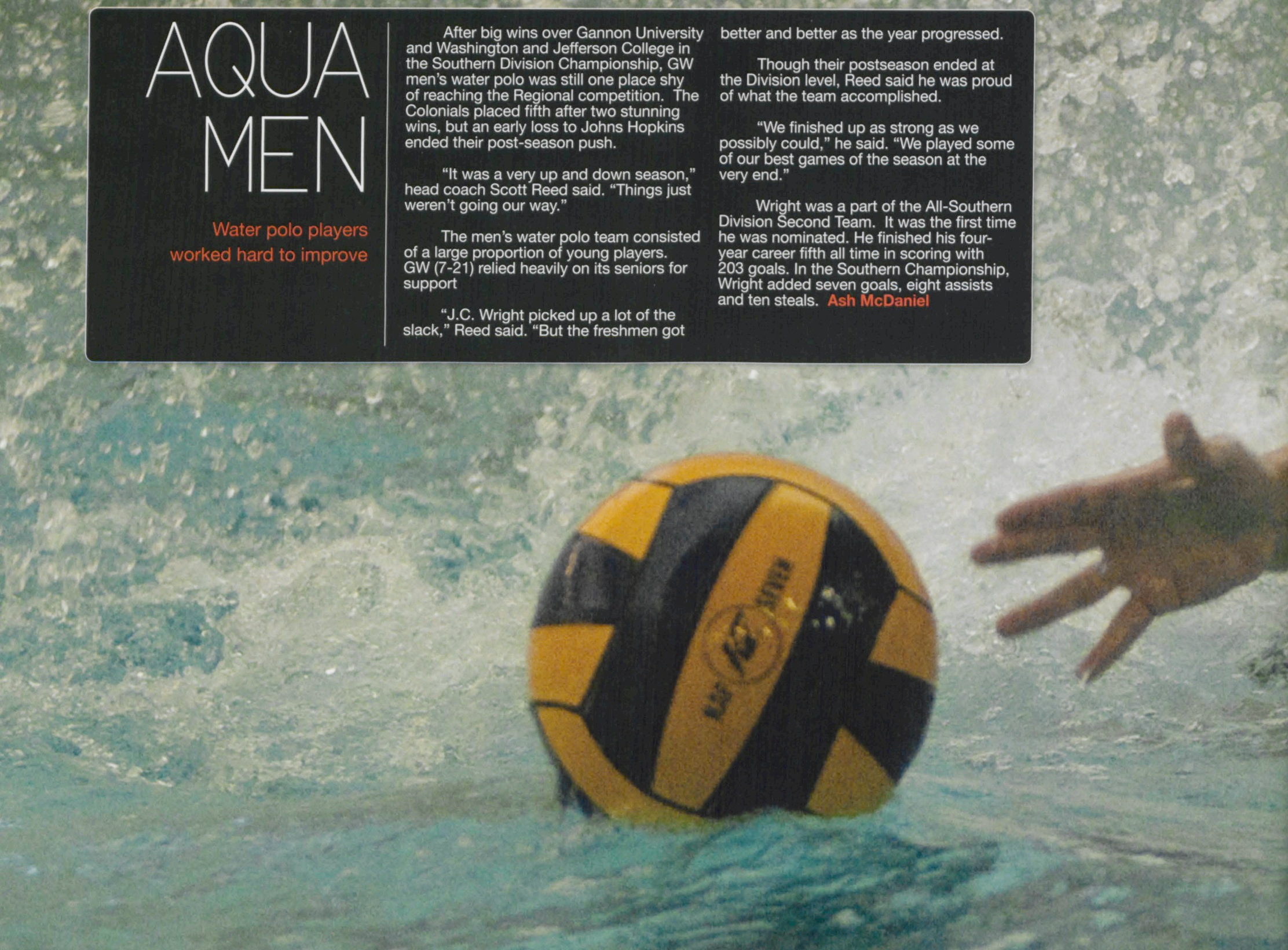
The men's water polo team consisted of a large proportion of young players. GW (7-21) relied heavily on its seniors for support

"J.C. Wright picked up a lot of the slack," Reed said. "But the freshmen got better and better as the year progressed.

Though their postseason ended at the Division level, Reed said he was proud of what the team accomplished.

"We finished up as strong as we possibly could," he said. "We played some of our best games of the season at the very end."

Wright was a part of the All-Southern Division Second Team. It was the first time he was nominated. He finished his four-year career fifth all time in scoring with 203 goals. In the Southern Championship, Wright added seven goals, eight assists and ten steals. **Ash McDaniel**







"WE CREATED EVERY OPPORTUNITY POSSIBLE... THIS WAS A PASSIONATE GROUP OF GIRLS."

Scott Reed, coach

MAKING WAVES

Water polo team excelled on the road

The women's water polo team played competitive matchups all season, but none as important as their game against rival Villanova, when the Colonials outscored the Wildcats 9-7. Junior goalkeeper Charlotte Schou shined with a career-high of 21 saves. On the offensive side of the pool, senior Marissa Stamler stood out with four goals and two assists.

"She [was] the most dependable player out there and was the rock we could depend on," head coach Scott Reed said of Stamler. "She is a fantastic defender."

The game proved to be a big one for the Colonials as they looked to avenge an earlier loss in the season against the Wildcats during which GW lost by just one point.

The Colonials endured a tough California road trip during the middle of the season, but came out on top with a 4-3 record during the series. Stamler was a main contributor, leading the team in scoring in five out of the seven games and racking up an impressive six points against CWPA No.6 Whittier on March 17 for a 9-7 win.

Earlier in the day, the women won their first California road game with a resounding 14-1 score over LaVerna. Sophomores Megan Walker and Monica Hanson led the charge with three points each, giving the Colonials their largest point difference in a win in three years.

The Colonials dropped their last game of the season to Princeton 9-7 on April 18, but Reed still said he was impressed by his team's play.

"We created every opportunity possible," Reed added. "This was a passionate group of girls."

Ash McDaniel and **Rafi Moskowitz**





OFFENSIVE DOMINANCE

Lacrosse team put up big numbers in 3OT

The women's lacrosse team had high scoring games in the 2010 season, but none as exciting as the back and forth matchup against top-ranked La Salle. The Colonials forced overtime in their game against A-10 rival La Salle, where the Colonials handed the Explorers their first in-conference loss. GW allowed only six goals—the defense's lowest allowed all season—but the battle against Temple came down to offensive skill.

In the final two minutes of overtime, freshman Nicole Lacey scored on a put-back goal, lifting the Colonials to a 7-6 win on the road. Lacey was named A-10 Rookie of the Week after this performance. The Colonials' offense was ignited after scoring three unanswered goals in less than three minutes. The Explorers fought back with a surge of their own, but GW carried the momentum into overtime, outshooting the Explorers 8-4 in extra play.

"I think we came out with a lot of energy," head coach Tara Hannaford said. "We had some younger guys on the field and I think they brought their youth and rejuvenated some of the upperclassmen."

The Colonials' final performance of the season was also a high scoring matchup, but went the way of Duquesne. Despite going on a 6-0 run during a seven minute span, the women were unable to hang on. Still, Hannaford said that the team showed promise with their team chemistry.

"I think we've clicked a little better on the field," Hannaford said. "They really [supported] each other a lot better."

GW didn't make it to the A-10 tournament, but stayed in the top half of their conference all season, showing that they were a team to be reckoned with.

Ash McDaniel




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IMPROVED PERFORMANCE

Golf team worked hard and achieved goals

The men's golf team placed high in tournaments all season—from their second place win in Delaware to their third place performance in Owings Mills, Md.—but nothing compared to the team's big win at the A-10 championship in Central Florida. The team finished the tournament fifth out of 12—three spots higher than the season before.

"The tournament was a grueling three-day test for all of the teams involved," head coach Terry Shaffer said. "Each year we have improved. We went from eighth place last year to fifth place this year and very close to fourth."

Not only did the team perform well, but senior Cole Turner earned sixth place at the tournament out of 60 golfers after a three-round 220 performance (70-77-73). Turner led the team in scoring during the season with an average round of 75 and led the squad in rounds played with 29.

"Cole Turner's play has been exceptional all year," Shaffer said. "He had many below par rounds that year which has helped the team immensely and was the MVP for this squad."

Over the season, the team racked up three top-five finishes and ten top-10s, which Shaffer said was an important goal for the team. On top of some big wins over Penn State and Saint Joseph's, the men finished the season 103-61.

"Any time you go over 100 wins in a year, you have done exceptionally well as a team," Shaffer said. "We hope to keep this trend going year after year."

The team practiced in Virginia during the 2009-2010 season, and because of the commute to their "home course" as well as trips during the season, Shaffer described them as a "cohesive team."

"Golf is a sport that brings people together," Shaffer said. "We're an international team—we had players from around the world, including Colombia and Hong Kong—but they were also a group of really special people."

The golf team's international students included Martin Liu from China, junior Brendan Barrack from Canada, senior Sebastian Palomares from Columbia and senior and captain Max Hamm from Germany. Hamm said the appeal of GW was that it provided a way for him to combine academics and athletics.

"At GW, I immediately got the feeling that the team would want me on board," said Hamm, who won the Senior Male Athletic Academic Award. " It was the best decision I've made in my life so far." **Ash McDaniel**





SENIOR SEASON

Baseball's upperclassmen added to wins

The Colonials baseball team showed resolve after battling through the A-10 to get to the end of the season championship. GW finished in the middle of the pack in their conference, but a 12-5 victory over Fordham in their last home game sealed one of six spots for the team in post season play.

The final home game at Barcroft Field was played just hours after 10 of the athletes graduated on May 16. The players scrambled to get to the Virginia field in time, but their performances were impressive. Senior Chris Luick went 2-3 and had his tenth homerun of the season. Fellow senior Chris Holland had a pair of hits and a triple while Tom Zebroski capped off graduation day with two stolen bases for the Colonials.

GW had dropped the first two in the series to Fordham and with the thought of losing out a chance to compete in the A-10, the Colonials were in a must-win situation. The team was slipping in the ranks despite an impressive game two performance by Zebroski, during which he set the all-time hits record for GW after going 4-5 with two home runs on the day.

Zebroski became a fan of setting records as a Colonial. The shortstop set the all-time runs record for GW with an impressive performance against rival Temple and set the all-time hits record for the Colonials on Senior Day.

The team didn't rely solely on seniors. The Colonials went on an eight game winning streak early in the season with junior pitcher Eric Cantrell throwing a six inning shutout over Choppin State and sophomore Stephen Oswald adding two hits and two runs in a gunslinger matchup against cross-town rival Georgetown.

The Colonials season ended at the A-10 tournament but GW shortstop, Tom Zebroski, was honored for his accomplishments throughout the year by becoming a Louisville Slugger All-American and the 2010 A-10 Player of the Year.

Ash McDaniel






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TURN AROUND

Team earned big win to end streak

Despite an out of character year for the Colonials, the GW softball team was able to salvage some of their 2010 season with a 7-5 win over Dayton on Senior Day. The win was a big one for the senior players, as it was their last game on the Mount Vernon field and also snapped a 13 game lose streak.

"I thought we executed well on offense," head coach Kim Staehle said. "It was an entire team effort. I thought it was really impressive that we could turn it around at this point in the season."

The win was especially important for the seniors of GW's club, who called it a nice cap on the season.

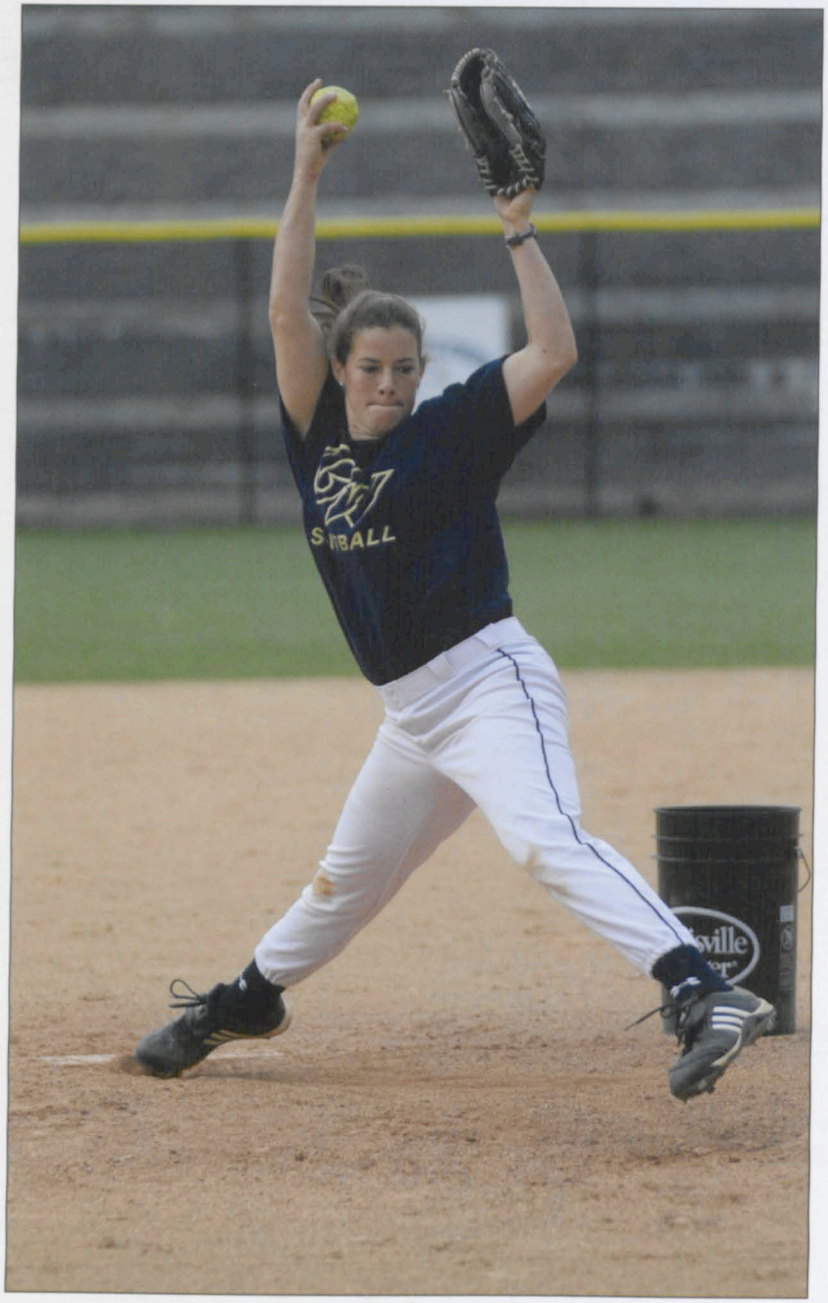
"You don't necessarily remember all the games, but I remember all my teammates," senior Elisa Van Kirk said. "I just wanted to do the best I could for them today and then go out not having any regrets."

Van Kirk was a major contributor in the win, knocking in a double in the third inning and scoring two to give the Colonials a 5-4 advantage. After the center fielder's RBI double, the team was able to not let up on the Flyers and held the lead from there on.

The Colonials had earlier success in their home opener against La Salle, when the women won a close fought game 4-2. GW struck early with all four runs coming in the first after a long inning which included a single, a double, two errors and a walk. The team held on to the lead after some close calls in the sixth when the Explorers got two runs off three hits.

Staehle said it was a learning season and through it all, the team managed to gain a lot and come out feeling great.

Ash McDaniel and Elizabeth Traynor





NOT SO BRASSFUL

Band raised spirit at games

Before the basketball games began, hours prior to the teams taking the court, the Colonial Brass was heard even from outside the Smith Center.

"We're avid about cheering for the team no matter what," senior teaching assistant Connie Golding said. "We bring energy to the games."

The Colonial Brass's 70-member orchestra ranged from saxophones and trumpets to trombones and drums. They played at every men's and women's home game.

"Sometimes we'd be playing as many as four games in one week," Golding said. "And we practice one day a week as well."

Senior Justin Snyder said that all the hard work was worth it.

"We loved GW," the trumpet player said. "We just wanted to show our support."

With favorites such as the GW fight song and "Hey Baby," GW's spirit band got students out of their seats before any action took place on center court.

"It's great when students sing along," Snyder said. "The band helped people feel like this is one community and we were all cheering for the same thing." **Ash McDaniel**







Hail to the Buff
Hail to the Blue
Hail to the Buff and Blue
All our lives we'll be proud to say
we hail from GW!



"BAND IS ABOUT A CAMARADERIE... WE WANT THE FANS TO FEEL IT THROUGH THE BAND'S MUSIC."

Conie Golding, senior



WE GOT SPIRIT

The First Ladies and the Cheer Team brought enthusiasm to games

GW's Spirit Program knew how to energize a crowd. The First Ladies dance team and the Cheer Team, built up of 16 and 22 students respectively, brought energy to the court, performing their routines flawlessly. The teams attended every men's and women's home basketball game and went on the road for the A-10 and NCAA tournaments.

The First Ladies competed with a hip-hop and jazz routine at the National Collegiate Championship in Orlando, Fla., where they ranked tenth nationally among Division 1 dance teams. The First Ladies not only competed, but also choreographed two routines for every home basketball game—one to entertain the crowd during a timeout and the other at halftime.

Practicing together four times a week, the First Ladies were always ready to perform. First Ladies coach Alyssa Thomas helped her team perfect routines for three hours before each basketball game. The Ladies showed spirit on the court, but the team also had GW spirit off the court.

"We tried our best to represent GW every day," senior Alyssa Steinmetz said. "Whether it was at a basketball game, at our national competition in Florida or simply in our academic classes. We continually stressed the importance of representing GW and our team in everything that we did."

The Cheer Team also radiated buff and blue. A visible force at basketball games, the Cheer Team practiced for approximately three hours every day and spent the majority of game days at the Smith Center. For Cheer Team members, all the time and energy spent was worth it when they stepped onto the court.

"I encouraged my peers to attend basketball games and tried to stay as excited as possible while performing," junior Stephen Shapanka said. "There was nothing quite like the feeling when there was a packed house and you start a cheer, and before you know it there are thousands of people chanting that very cheer."

Fellow cheer member, sophomore Samantha Luker, added that the best part of cheering was being at the games, watching and supporting the Colonials.

"It was like having a courtside seat to a great show," Luker said. **Ash McDaniel**





IN A LEAGUE OF THEIR OWN

Intramurals brought a competitive spirit to students

Intramural sports pinned students against each other in competition. The 16 leagues available on campus offered a chance for students to play a sport they enjoyed.

"Intramurals were an awesome way to compete and meet other people that share the same competitive spirit," said senior Stephen Provazza, who played intramural basketball, floor hockey, wiffleball and videogame FIFA 10. "As a former high school athlete, intramurals were an outlet for that competitive energy for those of us that do not play varsity collegiate athletics."

Students registered for a sport and then created teams. The student teams then competed against other students and even had playoff systems. The recreational sports department at GW assembled the team schedules and trained students to referee games.

Unlike traditional varsity sports, intramurals gave students a chance to create their own teams and play unusual sports like wiffleball and the videogame FIFA 10. The FIFA tournament featured 32 students playing as different world teams in a bracket-style tourney.

"I signed up because I play a lot of FIFA online and it was a good way to play other students and meet people that are also interested in the game," said Provazza, who took home the win for the 2010 tournament.

Assistant Recreation Director Shomari Kee helped head the intramural sports department by jumpstarting registration, training student referees and overseeing the program.

"It's good to create a sense of sportsmanship and teamwork [Kee said] We tried to do that at the university." "We wanted this program to give students a way to participate in sports with one another and have a great time doing it."

Ash McDaniel


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Shomari Kee, Assistant Recreation Director
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Club sports offered chances for more students to play

GW students used club teams on campus as a way to be involved in a competitive atmosphere and enjoy the camaraderie that came with being on a team. GW offered over 25 club sports, ranging from field hockey and cycling to cricket and Ultimate Frisbee. Club sports encouraged all types of athletes to play, giving instruction for students just starting out and improving the skills of those at more advanced levels.

"I didn't know anything about fencing before I joined," senior Ron Stradford said. "I learned a lot in a short amount of time and I really loved it."

Students felt that club sports were great alternatives for them when there was no varsity team for their sport.

"I joined the GWU JKA karate club because of a desire to continue learning karate," graduate student Christine Lin said. "Despite my hectic schedule, I still found karate to be imperative in my life."

GW also offered many club teams for those that didn't want to play varsity, including baseball, soccer and tennis—all of which had a varsity counterpart.

"Club baseball allows me to play my favorite sport in the world three to four times a week," senior Matt Reitzfeld said. "It's not so rigorous that it affects my schoolwork or my fraternity obligations, but it's enough so that I feel fulfilled. Some people who play sports in high school give up playing when they come to college, simply because the level of competitive play is so high. This is a great alternative."

Ash McDaniel









THE TEAMS

of The George Washington University

1) Men's Soccer
2) Women's Soccer
3) Men's Water Polo
4) Women's Water Polo
5) Golf
6) Men's Cross Country
7) Women's Cross Country
8) Volleyball
9) Gymnastics
10) Men's Swimming
11) Women's Swimming
12) Men's Basketball
13) Women's Basketball
14) Men's Tennis
15) Women's Tennis
16) Lacrosse
17) Softball
18) Men's Rowing
19) Women's Rowing


















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TOP TEN SENIOR ATHLETES

of the George Washington University

1. Ellen VanCleave (Womens Rowing): MVP for Women's Rowing. Named to A-10 All-Conference First Team.

2. Cole Turner (Mens Golf): Placed sixth out of 60 golfers in the A-10 Tournament. Led GW golf with an average score of 75.

3. Damian Hollis (Mens Basketball): Team MVP. Finished career with 1,196 and ranked 28th on GW's all-time scoring list.



4. Katie Butz (Volleyball):
Named to A-10 All-Conference Second Team. Led Colonials in scoring 442.

5. Katrina Timlin (Womens Swimming):
Winner of team relay.

6. John-Claude Wright (Mens Water Polo):
MVP of team. Totaled 203 career points, fifth most as a Colonial.

7. Megan Hogan (Womens X-Country):
Won A-10 Championship.

8. Tom Zebroski (Baseball):
Set records for all-time runs and hits as a Colonial.

9. Taylor Donohue (Lacrosse):
Her 27 assists were an all-time team record.

10. George (Spirit):
He provided spirit during games and motivated GW fans.





Seniors

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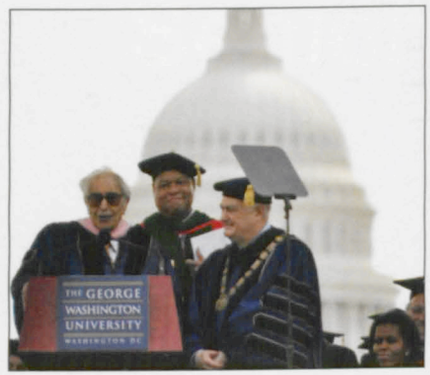
ANOTHER YEAR GONE BY

The Class of 2010 celebrated their accomplishments in Foggy Bottom

GW's Commencement Weekend spanned five days from May 12 to 16 and comprised of more than 20 events, including Monumental Celebration, a gala at Union Station; the traditional Interfaith Baccalaureate; and individual school celebrations. The main graduation ceremony was held Sunday, May 16 on the National Mall near the Capitol building.

Soon-to-be graduates sat in their seats on the National Mall, thrilled with the opportunity to listen to First Lady Michelle Obama speak in commemoration of their college years. Obama's appearance, coupled with the sheer excitement of the end of their college years, made the class of 2010's Commencement experience a special one.



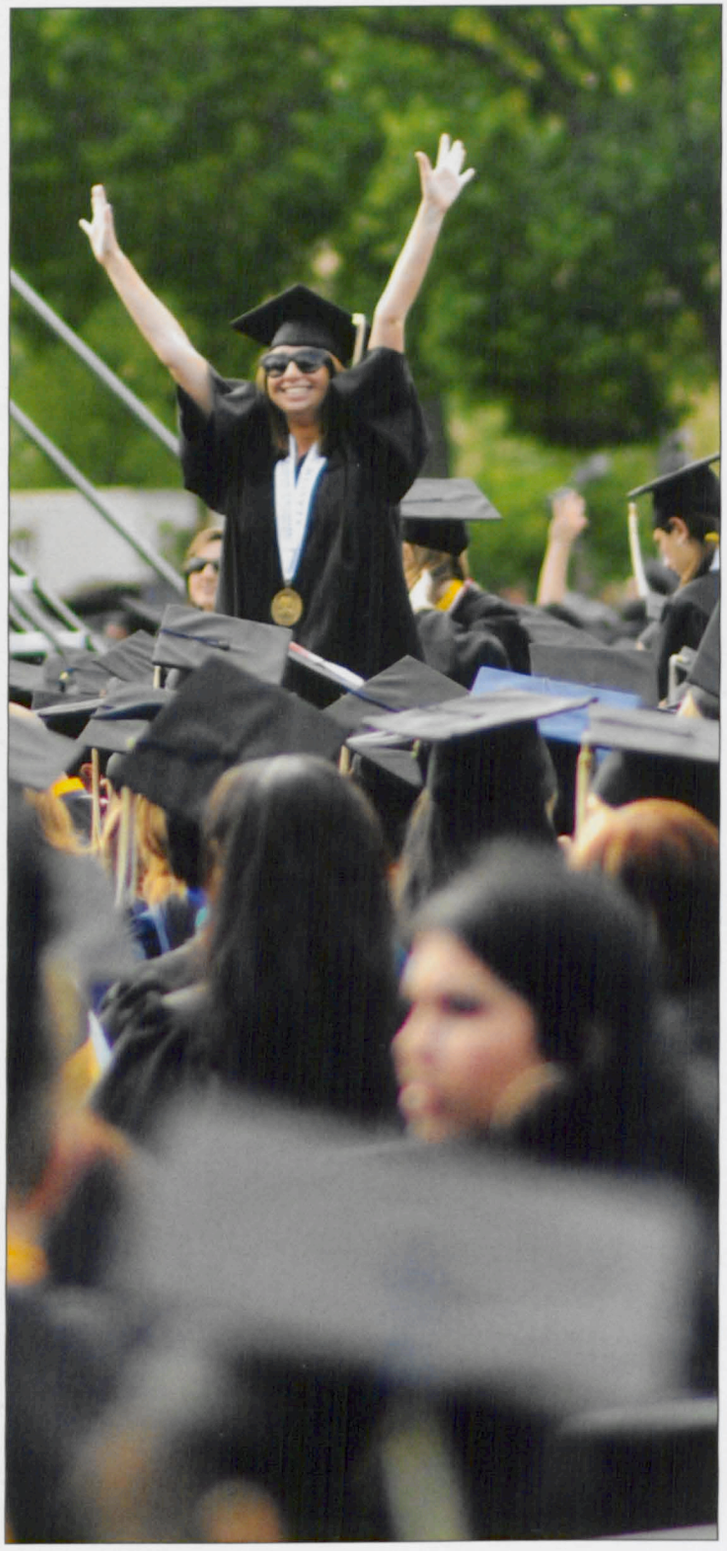













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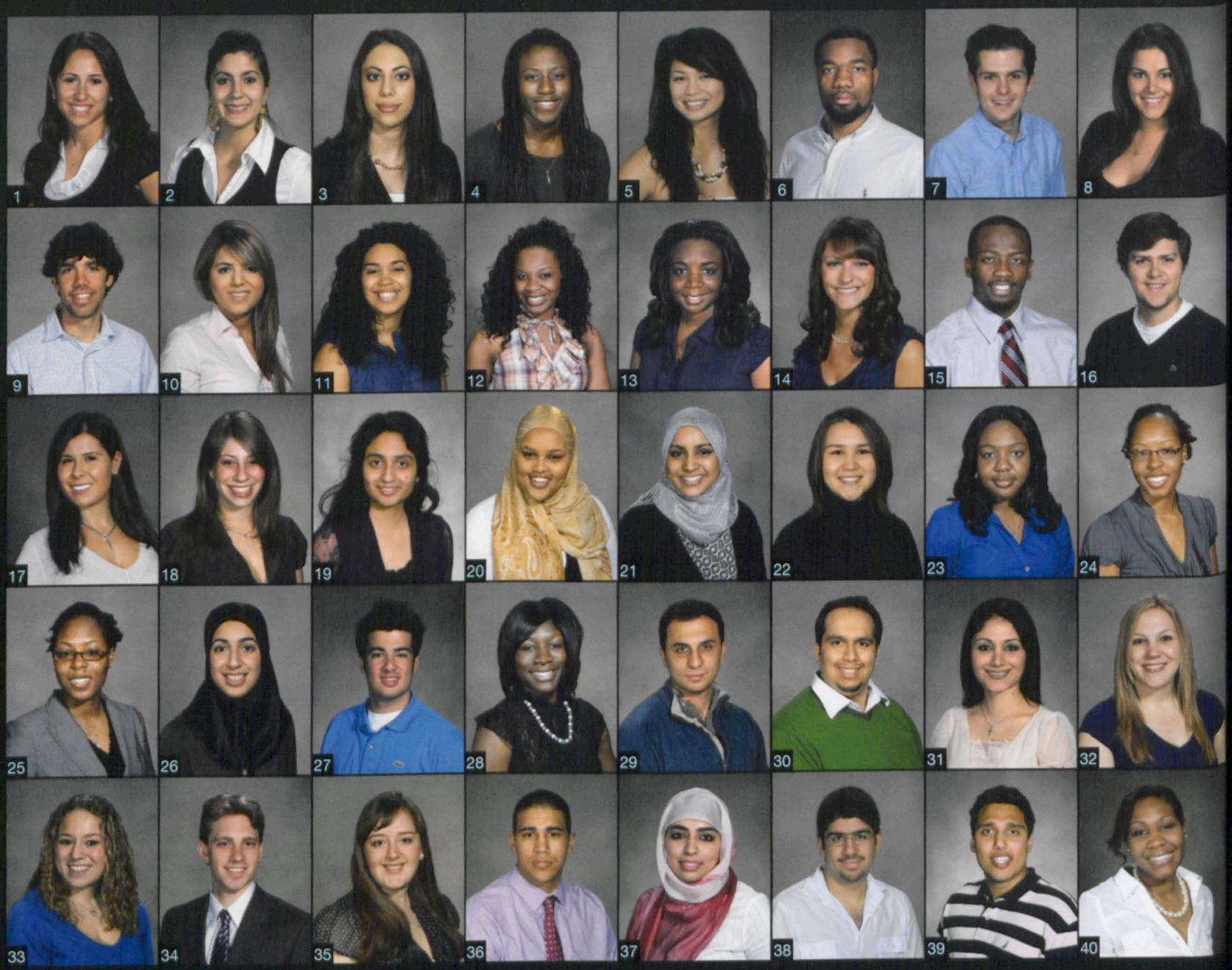

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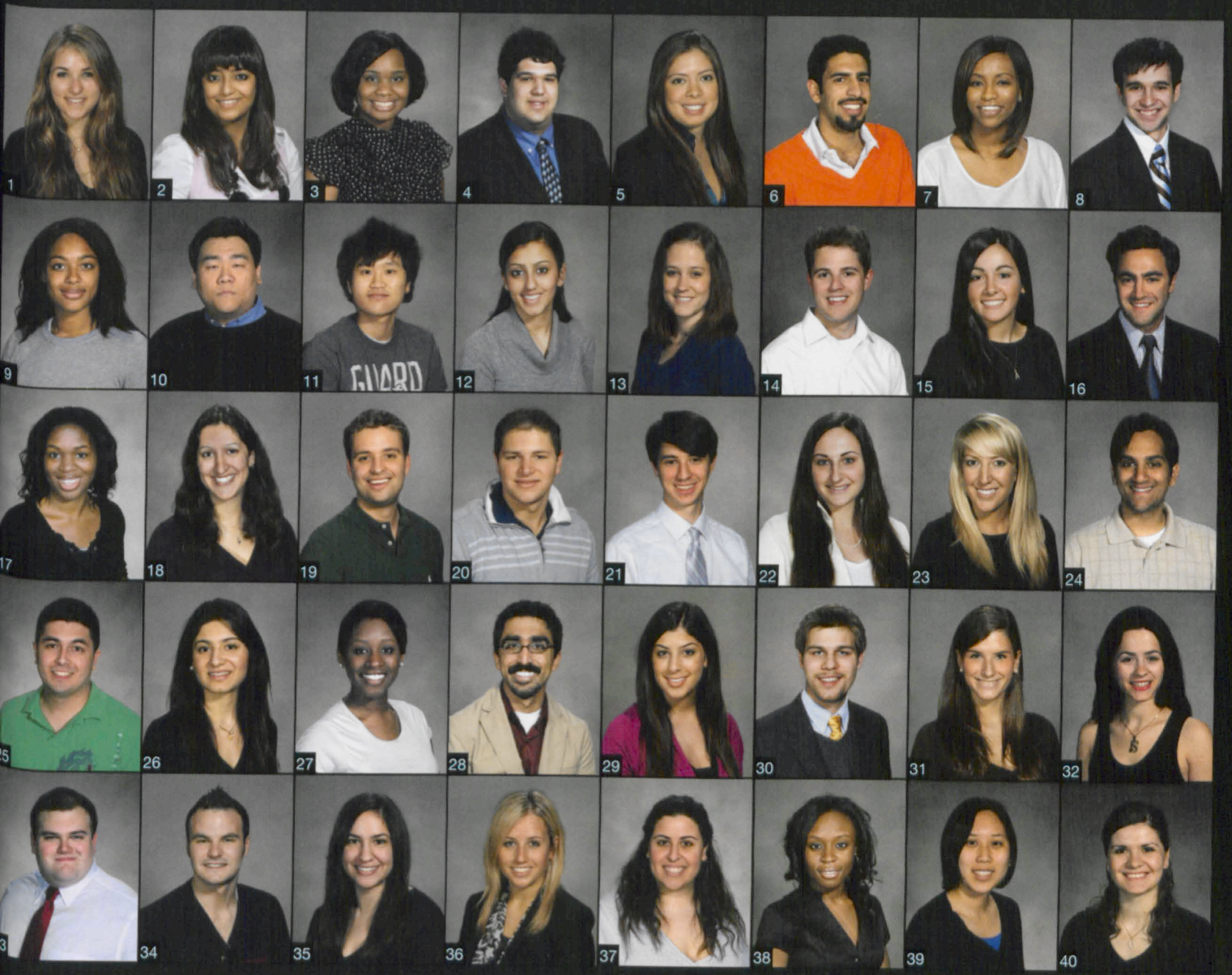
"YOU GUYS, YOU SHOULD BE SO PROUD OF YOURSELVES AND YOUR INCREDIBLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS. BUT LET'S NOT FORGET ALL THE PEOPLE WHO ALSO SHARE IN THAT PRIDE... THIS IS THEIR DAY, TOO.

Michelle Obama, First Lady



1 - Danielle Abadi
2 - Jacqueline Abdalla
3 - Fatima Abdo
4 - Ivy Abiona
5 - Maria Katrina Ablen
6 - Kelcey Abney
7 - Joshua Abrams
8 - Liza Abrams
9 - Dominic Abruzzese
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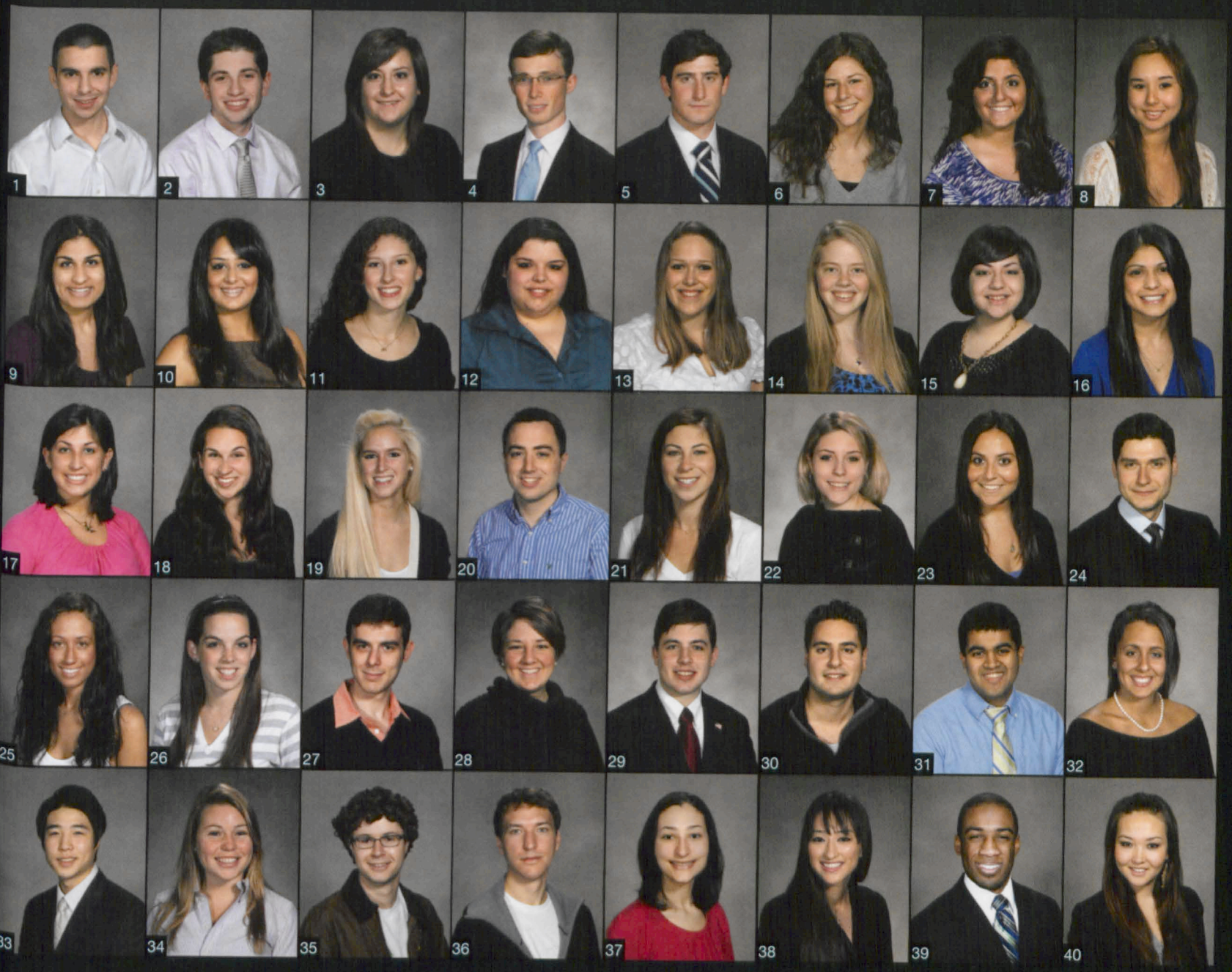




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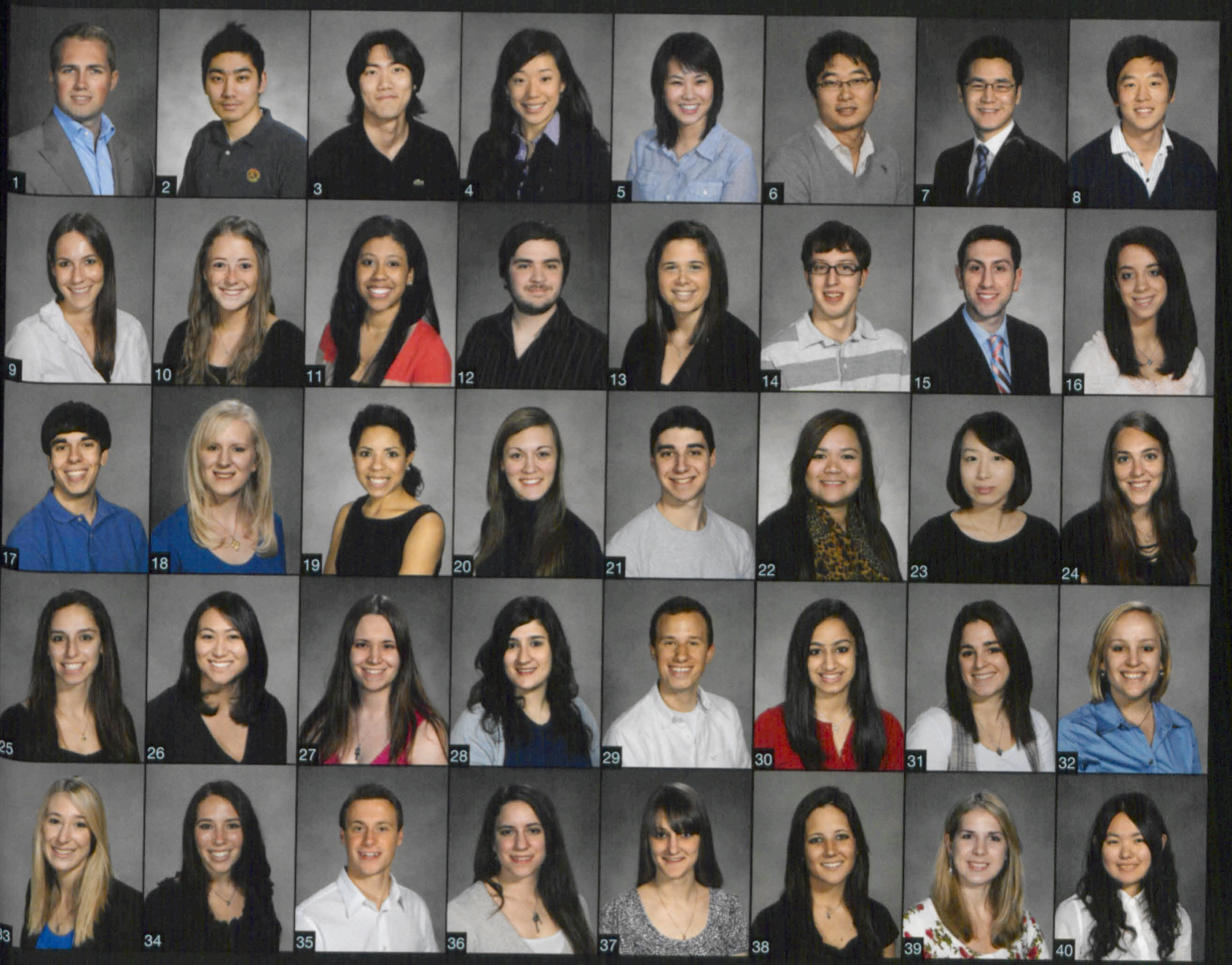




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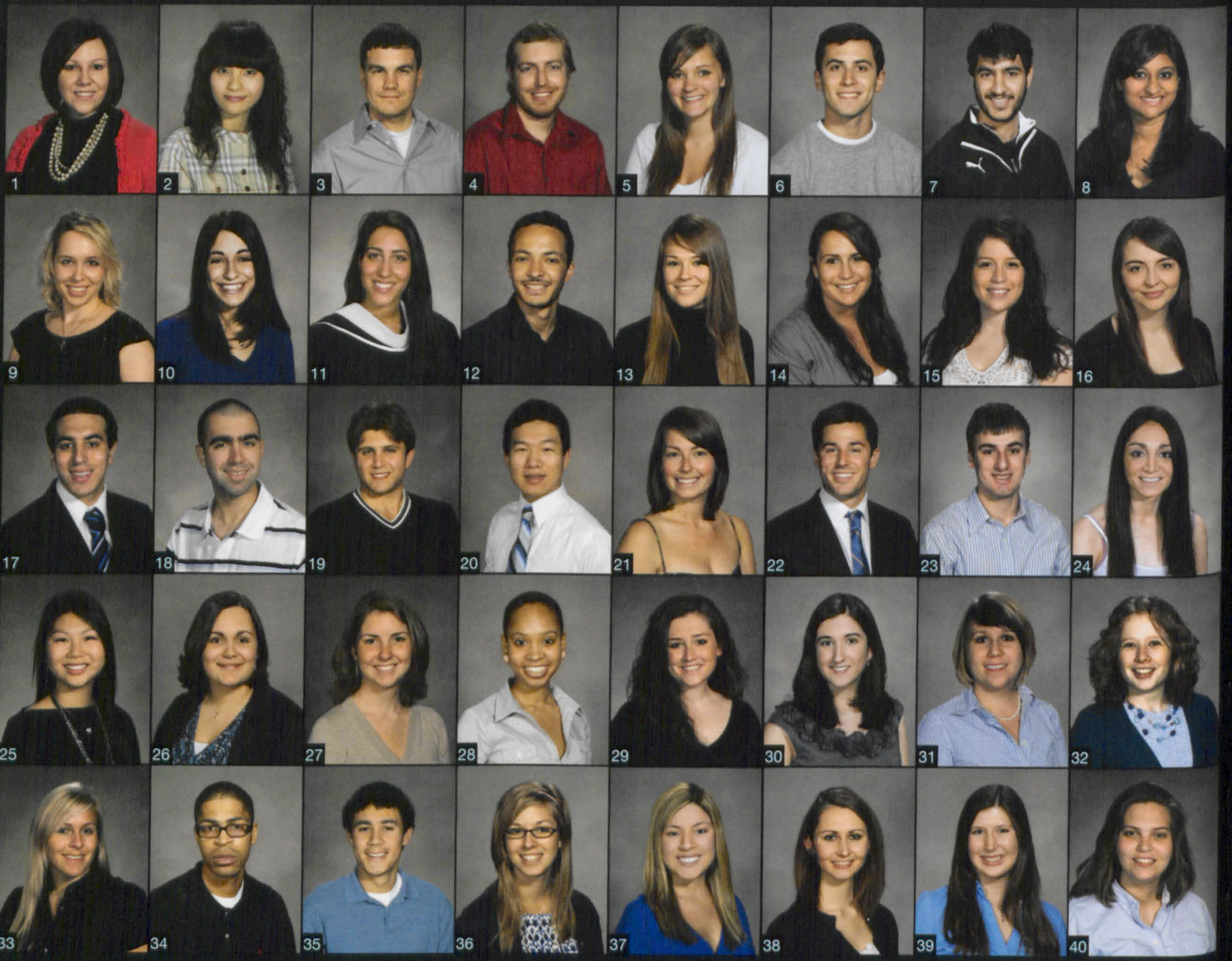
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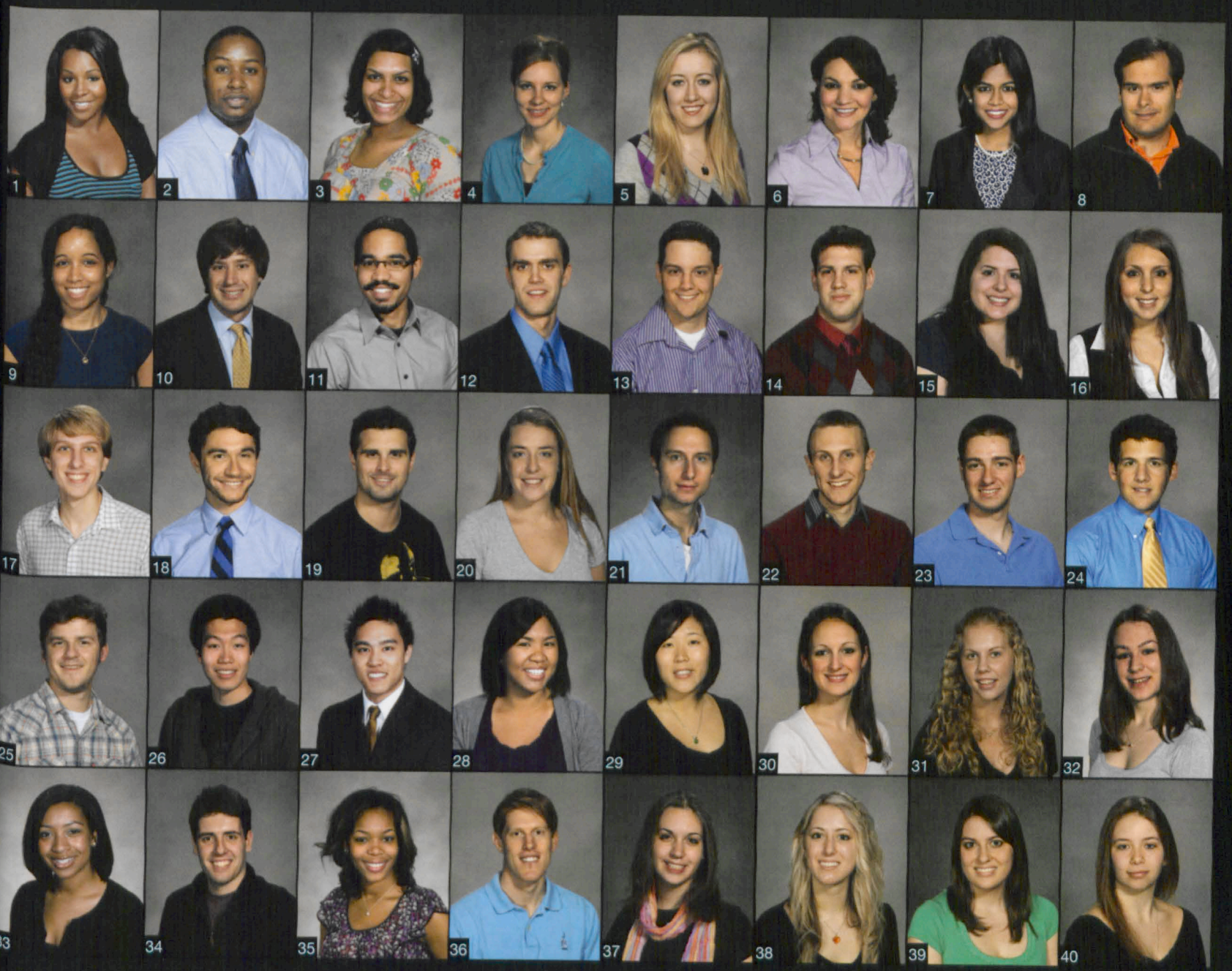




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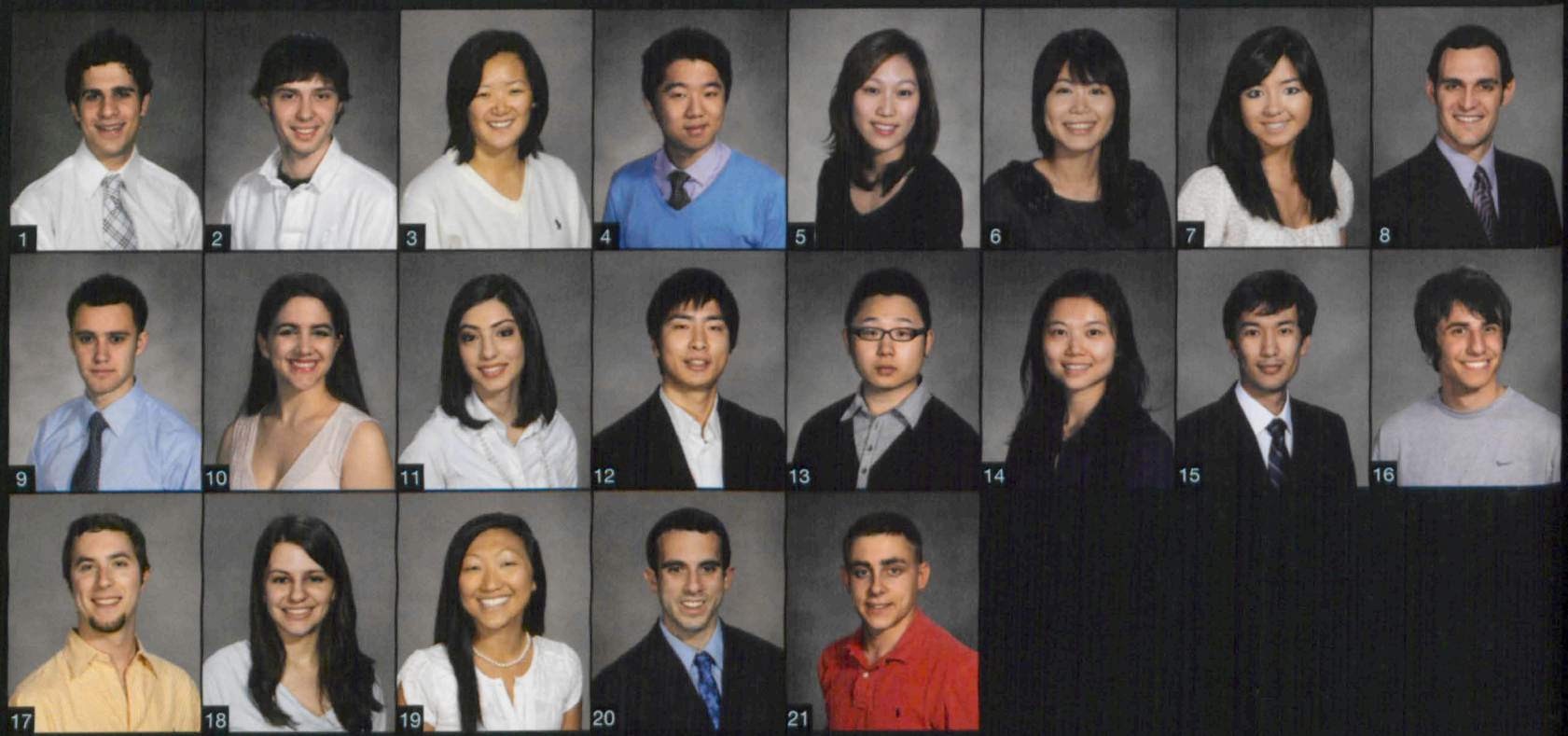
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TENDER, (ten-der) *adj.*
Compassionate; anxious for another's good; expressive of the softer passions

Lilly Ann Singer

We wish you the sun, the moon and all of the stars in your travels through life. Work hard, be happy and always remember to laugh along the way. We are so very proud of you today and always.
Much love, and… a bushel and a peck!

Xx Mom, Dad, Harrison and Alexander

BB King, Lucille & Violet, too!







Daniel J. Schwartz

Congratulations Daniel J. Schwartz
Captain, GWU Cycling Team

You have accomplished so much, Dan and we are so proud of you. You have grown into the wonderful young man we always knew you would become. This is just the beginning…
Ride on!

All our love,
Mom, Dad and Jon



Alexandra D'Agostini

We are filled with so much pride and joy on your graduation. You are something!! Here's hoping that you continue to grow and flourish in your life and leave your mark on it, as you have here at GW. You are simply the best and we love you with all our hearts.

Love, Dad, Mom, Christy, John and Annie



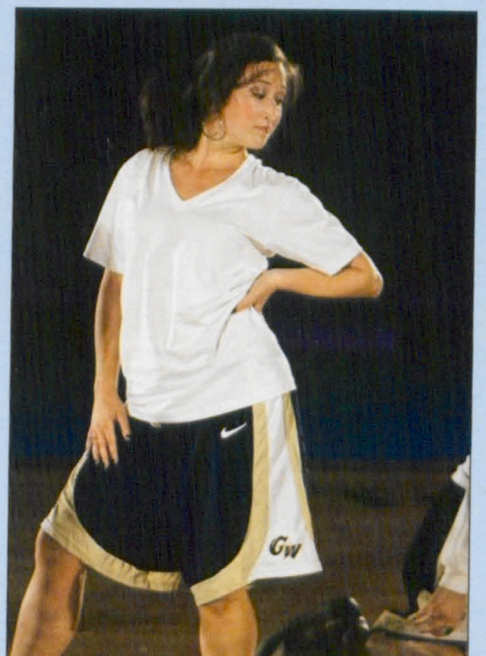


Kalie Kelman

CONGRATULATIONS KALIE ON A GREAT COLLEGE CAREER

Your enthusiasm, participation, and achievements have been remarkable. We are so proud of you! Life can be like a dance; to be good it takes imagination, grace, discipline, and hard work. No matter what direction you take, we support you and believe in you.

All our love,
Mom and Dad



Ryan Oliver

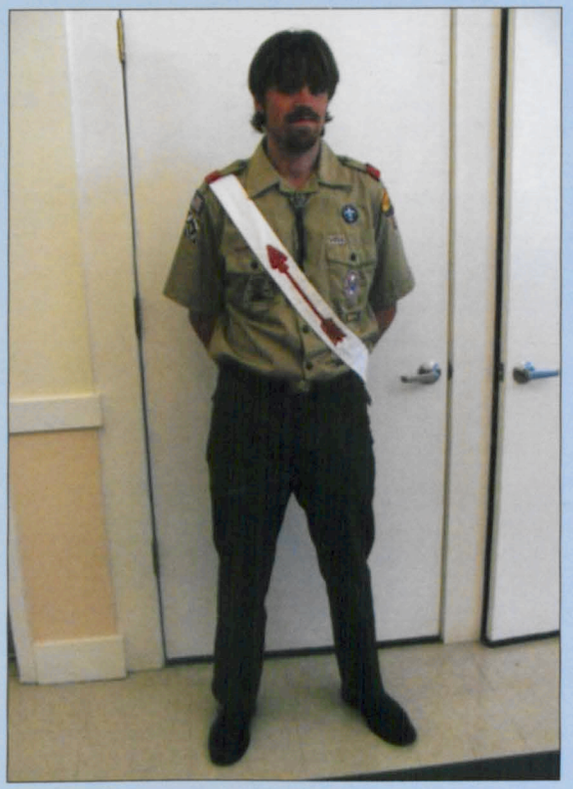
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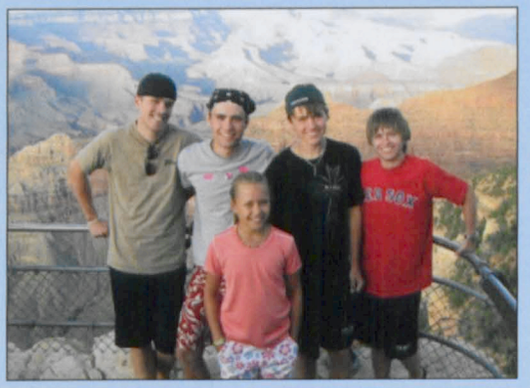
We are so proud of you and the man you have become. Stay true to yourself, follow your dreams and be the best that you can be.

We love you so very much and wish you happiness and success in all that you do.
Mom, Dad, Rob, William, James and Lauren

"The way you get meaning into your life is to devote yourself to loving others, devote yourself to the community around you, and devote yourself to something that gives you purpose and meaning."
-Mitch Albom

"Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things that you didn't do than by the ones that you did do. So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the tradewinds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover.
-Mark Twain







Kevin Ducoff

Congratulations, Kevin

Once more, your determination has allowed you to compete and succeed on a very high level. Going forward, we know you will continue to overcome any obstacles placed in your path and that you will achieve the goals you have set for yourself.
Elect a Jew in '32

LOVE YOU ALWAYS,
Mom and Dad aka Nancy and Russell Ducoff

Sandra Ziegman

Look well to this day,
For it and it alone is life.
In its brief course
Lie all the essence of your existence:

The Glory of Growth
The Satisfaction of Achievement
The Splendor of Beauty

For yesterday is but a dream
And tomorrow is but a vision.
But today well lived makes every
yesterday a dream of happiness,
And every tomorrow a vision of hope.

- Anonymous 50 BC

You're the Best!

With much love and pride,
Mom, Dad, and Alyssa

Rachel Rebecca Ginsberg

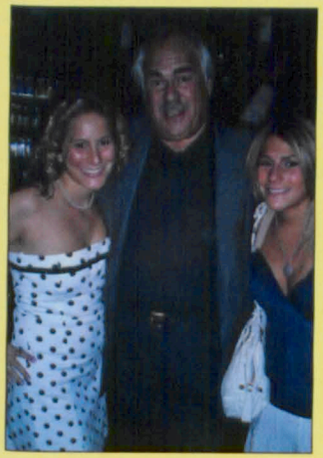
Congratulations to Rachel Rebecca Ginsberg

We are so proud of your accomplishments. Continue to reach for the stars and all your dreams will come true. Your hard work and commitment to your studies will lead to a very successful career. You are a wonderful, caring person that deserves the best life has to offer.

With all our love Mom, Dad, Danny, Eric, Jared

Leah Herman





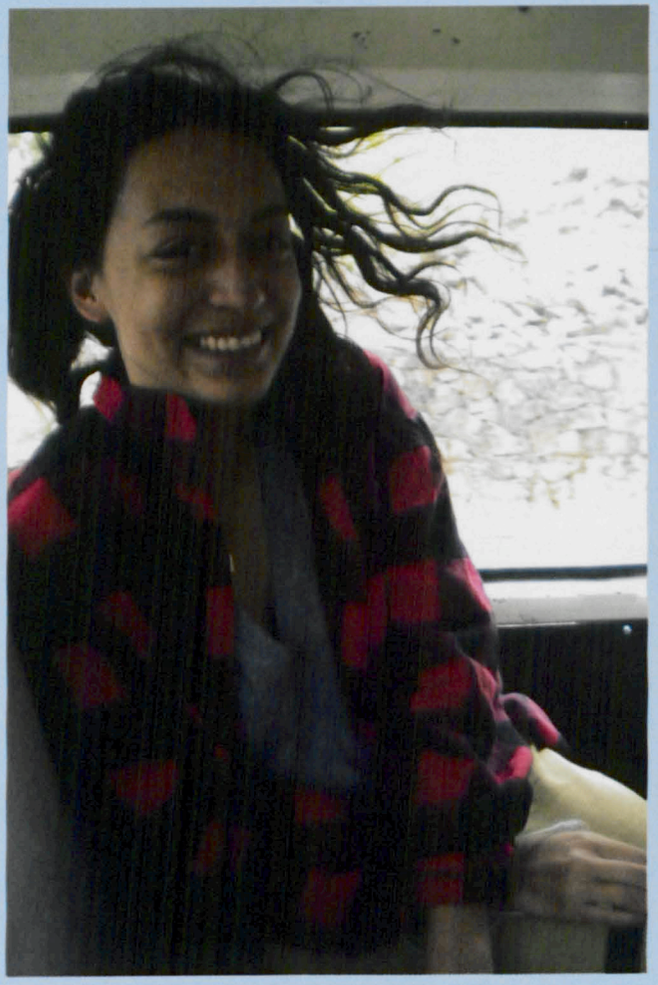


We are proud of you and with love give you these words written long ago

"Go confidently in the direction of your dreams – live the life you have imagined." – "Be who you are and say what you feel because those who mind that don't matter and those who matter don't mind" and lastly, "If opportunity doesn't knock – build a door."

Love Dad, Adrienne, Katie

Regina E. Grossman







Dearest Reg,

We're so proud of you for all of your accomplishments and for being such a wonderful person. Congratulations on your graduation - we love you!

Mom, Dad, Claire, Grams, & the Grossman and Sanchez families

Olufunke Osanyingbemi

CONGRATULATIONS TOLA!!!

We are very proud of your accomplishments. As you move into another phase of your life, always remember this verse:

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11

THE BEST IS YET TO BE.
O SE MAA MI!!

Love,
Dad, Mom, Yemi & Chris, Jide, and Lil' Munchkin (aka King David)



Jessica Gordon

Congratulations, Jessica!

We're so proud of you

love,
Your Chicago Family







Ashley H. Kraus

"Wheresoever you go, go with all your heart."- Confucius

We are so very proud of you!
DREAM BIG!
Love, Mom and Dad

Darcy Jones Duberry

Life has its ups and downs but you have kept me on the up. I am so proud of you and you have proven my educational theory. Parents must work with their children and give them the golden opportunity to experience life and education outside the classroom, and not things, in order for them to stay focused on the most important thing in their life outside of God and family, that is their education. Keep on going. Don't stop here. Congratulations my Ipyana (God's Grace). You make your whole community proud. Uncle Tony and Kwame are smiling down at you right now!

I love and appreciate you. NaNa

Darcy, I am so proud of your accomplishments. Love, Mommy



Will Daly

D. J. Wilderness
Straight out of the Forest

Awesome

Congratulations
Will
from your biggest fans!

Dad, Polly,
Annie, Mary & Livy



Chelsea Mouta

Congratulations
Chelsea!
We are so proud of you and all of your accomplishments.

Love,
Mom, Dad and Alexa





Garrett R. Atherton

Congratulations on your college graduation!
You've learned so much, but now your education begins!
With love from your family!

Parents: Julia & Robert L. Atherton
Sisters:
Laura Atherton & Leslie Atherton
Grandparents:
Joanne & David L. Bole
Numerous Aunts, Uncles & Cousins











Neil Mihalich

Cheers and Congratulations Neil !

Hold our love in your heart and live a life you can be proud of
Mom & Dad

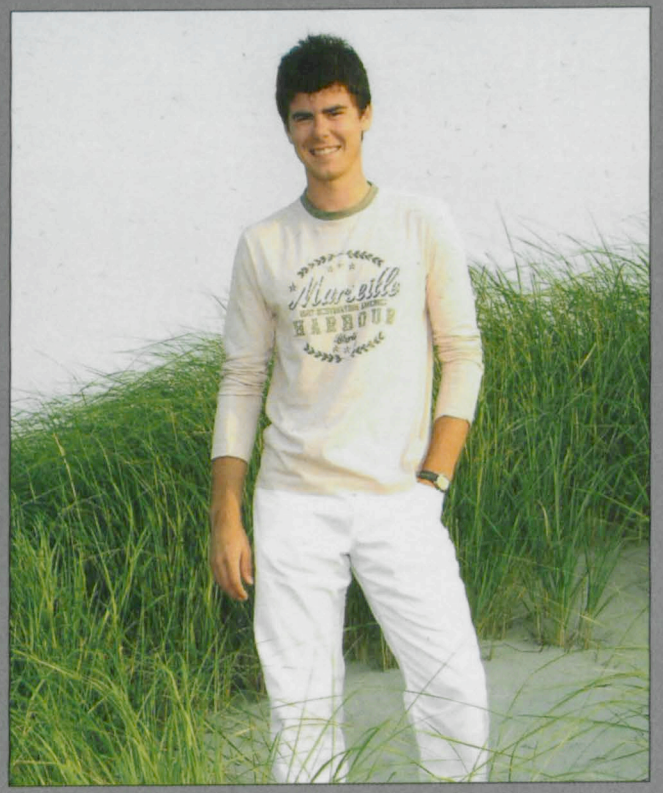
Allison C. Kraus

"The biggest adventure you can take is to live the life of your dreams."
– Oprah Winfrey

We are so very proud of you! The world is yours…
Love, Mom and Dad







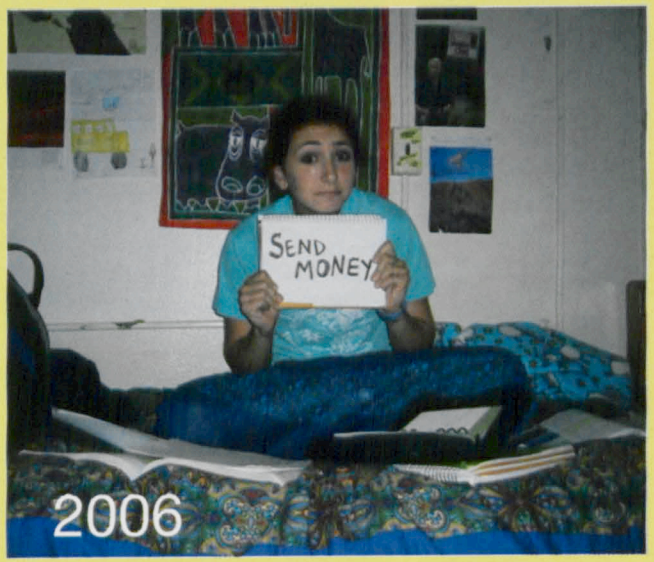
Michael Thomas Mort

"Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life you have imagined."

-Henry David Thoreau

WE LOVE YOU DEARLY
Dad and Gretchen, Mom and Tim, Nanny and Papa,
Grammy and Grandpa, and Elizabeth and Tanner

Elizabeth Neely





Congratulations,
Elizabeth!

Ashley Harper Seide

Your mother and I are so very proud of the woman you have become and of your accomplishments, both personal and educational. Congratulations on your graduation!
With your good heart, charm and work ethic, we have no doubt that all your dreams will come true!

All our love,
Mama & Daddy



Julie S. Braunschweiger

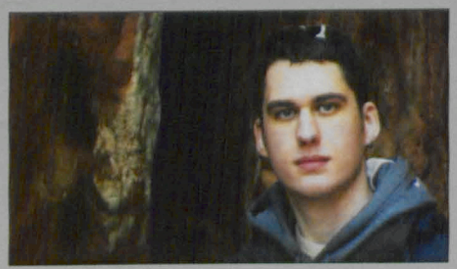
Julie Sara Braunschweiger

Go placidly amid the noise and haste.
And remember what peace there may be in silence.
Speak your truth quietly and clearly; and listen to others.
Many persons strive for high ideals;
and everywhere life is full of heroism.
Keep interested in your own career, however humble.
Nurture strength of spirit to shield you in sudden misfortune.
Beyond a wholesome discipline, be gentle with yourself.
Whatever your labors and aspirations,
in the noisy confusion of life keep peace with your soul.
With all its sham, drudgery, and broken dreams,
it is still a beautiful world.
Be cheerful. Strive to be happy.
(Excerpts from: Desiderata, by Max Ehrmann)

With love,
Mom, Matt and Dana



Jared Stone



We are as proud as we can be of you and all you have managed to accomplish in your life so far. As you start your journey on the road to success, know that we are with you always and are confident that you will continue to choose the right path. May good health, happiness and prosperity be your rewards for the blessing you have been, and continue to be, to us. Congratulations on your graduation from the George Washington University!

With much love,
Mom and Doug

Cory Antonakos

Congratulations Cory!
We Love You,
Mom, Dad, Brandon, and Tasha





Allison Rose Schachter

Dear Allison,

We are very proud of your achievements. Continue to keep reaching for the stars. We love you and may all your dreams come true.

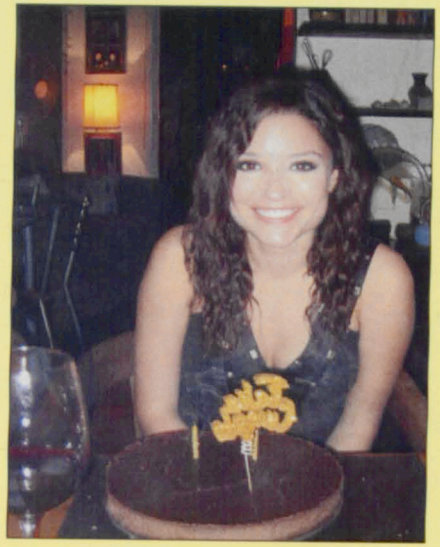
Love,

Mom, Dad and Scott

Simone Perez









Congratulations Simone!

We are so proud of the way you embraced life at GW…
SO…
Today is your day!
You're off to Great Places!
You're off and away!

Love, Mom, Dad and the whole family and all your friends…

Alex Florescu





We are very proud of our Graduate ALEX FLORESCU

Congratulations, Alex! All your hard work paid off and the bright future is yours!

We love you very much!

Your proud parents Sorana and Mihai and your proud American "parents" Doc and Michael

Sasha F. Belinkie

We could not be more proud of your achievements! Congratulations from all of us!

Love,
Dad, Mom, Tatiana, Aliyah, Cierra, Layla, and Sambuca



David Cutting

Congratulations and best wishes on your graduation

from The Cutting Family



Megan Masciola

Congratulations, Meg

As you graduate from GW, you have achieved another milestone in your remarkable life. You are prepared to take your next step, using your talents to help others in everything you do. You have made us so proud!

Love,
Mom and Dad



Naika C. Gabriel

"A horse gallops with his lungs, perseveres with his heart, and wins with his character."
-Tesio; That is you.

"We ourselves feel that what we are doing is just a drop in the ocean. But the ocean would be less because of that missing drop." –Words of wisdom from your favorite religious icon, Mother Teresa; Live as such.

We're so proud of you and are looking forward to your future accomplishments. We know you'll make a difference. We love you so much.
Mom, Dad, and Dashka





Matthew Dennis Casale

Dear Matt,
We are very proud of your accomplishments over the past four years. We have watched you mature from a high school student to a college graduate now ready to go out and experience the world. If you enjoy and love life, work hard, continue to be a life-long learner, develop positive, healthy relationships with people and remember to give back to your community, you will gain much happiness and self-satisfaction.

We wish you many successes in your future endeavors!
All our love always,
Mom, Liz, and Melissa

Stefani Alexandra Munro

Words cannot express how proud we are of your hard earned achievement.

During the past four years you have been through so many trials and tribulations. Through all these obstacles and unexpected challenges you have kept your head high, faith strong and become more and more determined to succeed. You are a graduate and a champion in our eyes. We love you very much. We are honored and thankful that we are a part of your life.

Congratulations! – Stefani A Munro
B.A. Psychology
Love, Grandma and Dad

Jessie Morris

CONGRATULATIONS JESSIE!

We are so very proud of you and want to wish you the very best on your continued journey. May each experience help to build a strong foundation and enable you to succeed in every new challenge presented to you.

With ALL our love,
Mom, Dad, Adam
AND
The Boyz





Anna Beller

To our sweetest Annucci (aka IndiAnna Jones),
who has earned our respect and admiration for her
accomplishments, determination, inner strength and growth,

We rejoice with you as you celebrate your achievements of the past
and the promise of your future.

May you continue to dream of great things and live a life filled with joy, meaning, passion, and constant growth. We know that this is only the beginning. We can't wait to see what comes next! We'll always be there for you.

Love,
Mom, Abba, Michael and Pip.

Casey Blair Withrow

Life is what we make it.
Always has been.
Always will be.

Enjoy and make the most of
every day of your life.

Congratulations to our graduate!

With love always,
Mom and Dad



Matthew J. Grossman



***CAPTAIN-VARSITY SQUASH TEAM-2010**

***VARSITY SQUASH (2006-2010)**

***MEMBER OF ALPHA EPSILON PI**

***COLUMBIAN COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES - CLASS OF 2010**

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR ACHIEVEMENTS!

WITH MUCH PRIDE AND LOVE,

MOM, DAD AND ALEXA

Brad Andrew Miller

To Our Grandson Brad,

We wish you good health, happiness and long life. We know you will make a success of your life. We love you very much.

Gpa and Gma

Congratulations Jennifer L. Sansone

We are so very proud of the accomplished young woman you have become and know a bright future lies ahead for you. Be true to yourself and others, live in the moment whenever you can, and always remember to laugh.

With all our love,
Mom, Dad, and Mike

"If one advances confidently in the direction of his dreams, and endeavors to live the life which he has imagined, he will meet with a success unexpected in common hours."
~Henry David Thoreau

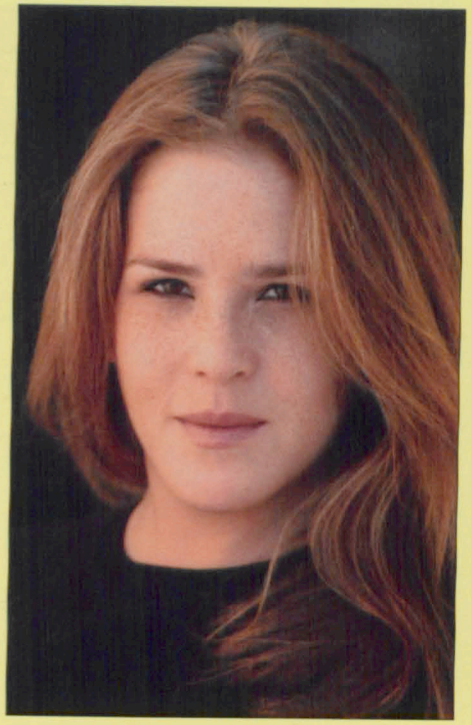


Jessica Xanth Reouveni

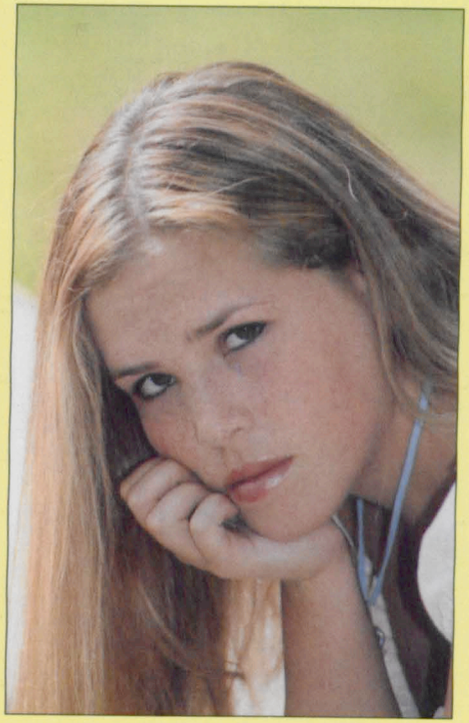
Congratulations on a wonderful achievement. We are so proud of you!

Lots of Love
Mom, Dad, Michela and Ronen

"Choice, not chance, determines destiny."







Brad Andrew Miller



Dear Brad,

We are extremely proud of the person you have become and of all your accomplishments. You have grown into a caring, thoughtful and responsible young man, a wonderful son and a very special big brother. It is with overwhelming love, joy and pride that we celebrate your graduation and look forward to the future awaiting you. Remember – life is what you make it – don't leave a stone unturned, a door unopened or a path not taken. Congratulations on your graduation from George Washington University. May all your dreams become reality and may happiness, health, fulfillment and peace surround you always.

With all our love,
Mom, Dad, & Melissa







Charlotte Mary Bigford

Charlotte, you are already so remarkable, stunning, and accomplished, we can't wait to see what you make of the rest of your life! Wherever you go, go with all your heart.

Your loving family,
The Bigfords, Fearers, Buckleys, and Bernards

Sasha F. Belinkie

With love and pride we congratulate
Sasha F. Belinkie

The guys and I follow your accomplishments with great admiration. We had no doubt "WHO" you would become.

Much Love,
Roger Daltry







Amanda Elizabeth Ussak

To our dearest Amanda,

You have made us so proud of you and your accomplishments. Your drive, personality and desire to make change for the good will make our world a better place!

Congratulations on your graduation.

Love always,
Mommy and Daddy

Frances Jacqueline Hassun

On behalf of your brother, sisters, mom, dad, grandparents, uncles, aunts and cousins, you are an inspiration to us all. We are so proud of you and your accomplishments at George Washington University.

We love you very much Frances, graduate of the class of 2010!



Noha Ghusson





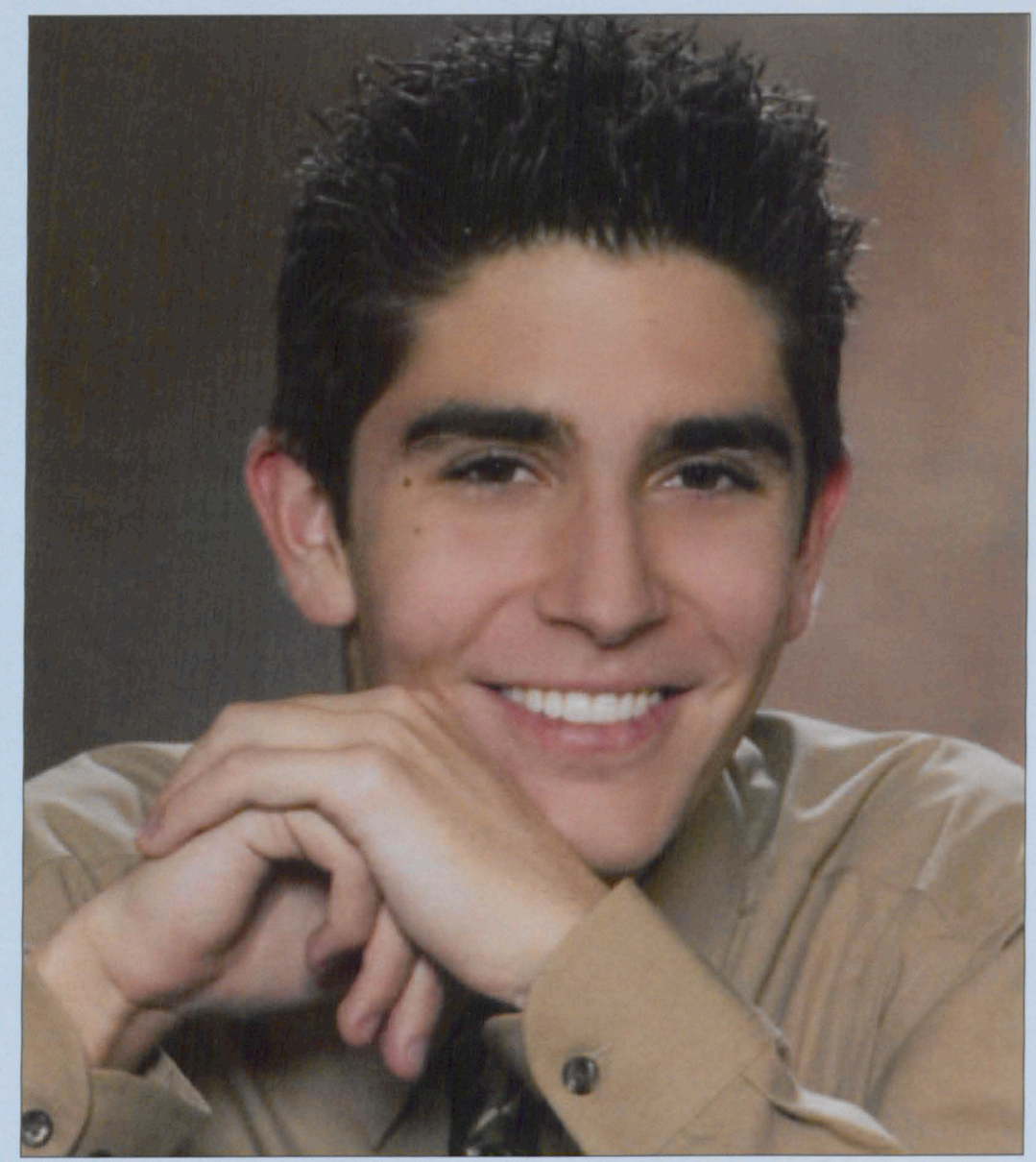


Congratulations!!

We are all so proud of your great achievements. We have been watching you grow into the kind, beautiful and intelligent young woman you are now. We love you and wish you the best.

Love, Mom, Dad & Ahmed

Matthew Monteverde



Matthew,
Congratulations!!

We are very proud of you and your accomplishments. You may have your sights set on far away nations in exotic places, but whatever you do and wherever you go, we know that you will do many good things. You are a kind-hearted soul and have been blessed with many gifts that will serve you well.

We love you always and forever.

Mom, Dad, Cristina, Dominic

Alexandra M. Levin

Dear Alexandra,

Since childhood you have always "hit the right note" and
"blazed foreign trails." We can't wait to see what you conquer next.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Robyn and Richard





Paul Ghayad



Dear Paul.

We are so proud of you on your graduation from GW! May you continue to have all the success that you wish for in your life.

Congratulations!
Love, Mom, Dad, Zeina and Joanna

Debra Manche



Congratulations Debs!

Though you will always be my little girl, you've grown into a beautiful woman. I'm so proud of you- as are we all!
Love-
Mom, Kevin, Brad and Sam

Danielle Richards

Congratulations, Danielle!

We are so proud of your achievement and of the beautiful person that you are becoming. Since you were little we knew that God had a special plan for you. As you continue to touch lives for Him we pray that He bless you and keep you near in all you do.

We Love you,
Mom & Dad





Daniel Marc Gardner

Our hearts are filled with love and pride as we celebrate this momentous occasion with you. We have watched and admired your determination, spirit, and accomplishments and know that you will continue to be successful in anything and everything you tackle. You are, without a doubt, a very special man. Enjoy your achievements and know that we are always here for you.
Congratulations on your graduation from The George Washington University!

With all our love,
Mom and Dad

Daniel Marc Gardner

Simply the best!

You swung for the fences and reached the stars.
Congratulations on your graduation from The George Washington University!

Love,
Barb, Lauren, Grandma and Grandpa

Saranicole A. Duaban

We are all very proud of your achievements, and excited to send you off on new adventures. Have great times and know that we are always here for you.

With all our love,
Dad & Mom



Katie Reyzis

Dear Katie,

We are very proud of you! We wish you continued success on your journey, and we will always be there to support you.
Love you so much!

Mom and Dad



David Keila

Congratulations on your graduation from The George Washington University.

Honor, justice, and integrity, are words that describe you and your future as it unfolds.

We couldn't be prouder of you and all you've accomplished.

Love, Mom, Dad, and Andrew



Thomas Richards

Dear Thomas,

We are so proud of you! You have accomplished so much in your time at GWU. Your talent, focus and integrity will guide your continuing journey. We are so excited to see where it will lead! Congratulations on your graduation from The George Washington University and know that we are always here for you.

All our love,
Mom, Dad and Anna





Lindsay Royce Alper



Dear Lindsay,

Always proud of you
That's plain to see
Of what you've become
And who you will be

You're beautiful, intelligent
And so special, too
That's just the start
To describe the wonderful you

Wherever you journey
We all agree
We're behind you-We love you
For we are family

So congratulations dear Lindsay
A milestone you did achieve
Continue to follow your dreams
And always believe!

We love you very much,
Mom, Bob, Greg, Jen, Julie, and Broozer
Nanny and Papa Harvey
And all your Aunts, Uncles
and Cousins, too!



William Gotkin

"You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself in any direction you choose. You're on your own. And you know what you know. You are the guy who'll decide where to go."
Dr. Seuss

Dear Will,
Congratulations! We are so proud of you.
Love,
Mom, Dad, Andy, Jorge, Geema and Pop



Alicia McClintock

Congratulations, Alicia!

You are a magnificent young woman and I am very proud of you! You have achieved so much and grown so much and I know you will make wonderful contributions in the future. It is great fun that we both now have special ties to GWU and I am so fortunate to be your mother. I wish you great happiness.

Much love, Mom





Andrew Elwell

Congratulations Andrew,
A new adventure is about to begin! As you pursue your dreams remember to take time to help and serve others. As you develop your unique talents, remain humble. As life hands you challenges, welcome them, for they will make you smarter and stronger. Always know that your most important possessions are honesty, integrity and the desire to make a difference. Believe in yourself and the power you have to control your own life. You are an incredibly special young man. Your college graduation is an awesome accomplishment. We think you are the best!
With all our love,
Mom, Sean, G-mom, and G-pop



Leah Herman







Dear Leah,

Congratulations on your graduation from George Washington University. We are so proud of your hard work and perseverance. In the last four years you have matured into a beautiful, kind and capable person. We wish you all the health, happiness and success the world can offer you. Most importantly, we love you very much !!

Love,
Mom, Jim and Kate

Danielle Vega

Danielle,
Congratulations on this tremendous achievement! Your accomplishments throughout your life have given us great pride, and watching you become the strong, confident, unique individual you are has been wonderful to behold. Remember, our love for you has, and always will be unconditional, and whatever path you decide to choose, we will be there for you. You have been blessed with a great start in life, and, certainly the best is yet to come.

We are so proud of you!
Love, Mom, Dad, and Parras....



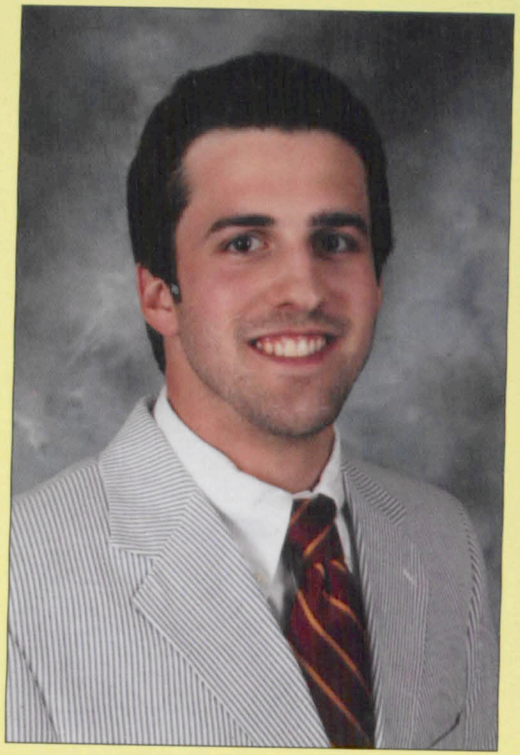


Johnny Schwarzlose

CONGRATULATIONS,
JOHNNY

2010 Graduate
Elliot School of International Studies

LOVE
Mom and Dad
Rachel and Mara



Andrew Edward David Klein

Andrew,

How quickly the years have passed my son.
It seems like yesterday that I was graduating.
Back then, I was in a rush wanting things to happen,
Wanting to grow up, and be on my own.
All of this will soon be yours.
Like my parents, we left you a foundation on which to grow and build.
Life's journey will take you places where you never dreamt you would go.
Decisions made forever change your life, let them be wise ones.
How quickly the years have passed my son.
It seems like only yesterday, I held you in my arms, wanting to protect you from all harm.
We have watched you grow, and so proud of who you have become.
The time has now come for us to let you run.
May that course be one that we will all be proud of.
Take your time to savor and enjoy life. Never forget that you are a gift to us,
and we will always be there to shape and guide your destiny.

Congratulations!
All our love,
Mom & Dad

Christopher J. Davis



Congratulations!

From GWU Baseball player to US Marine Officer... you deserve all the luck the world has to give. We love you more than anything.

Mom & Dad



Blanca Reinaltt

FELICITACIONES BLANCA

You will finally accomplish what you set out to do, graduate from the university of your choice, George Washington. We know that it was not easy but you did it. Our entire family is very proud of you and we are sure that you will start your new future with the help of that one person that has always and forever been there for you…your grandfather ALFONSO. You are an incredible and wonderful daughter and a great role model.
We love you so much,
Mom, Dad, Arthur, and Penny

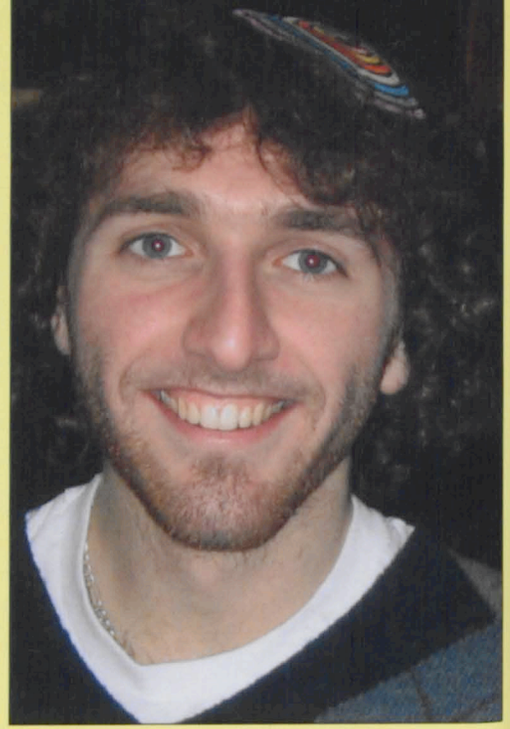




Joshua Pusateri

"Go confidently in the direction of your dreams, live the life you have imagined" Henry David Thoreau
With Love and Pride
Mazel Tov to
JOSHUA SIMON PUSATERI
Along your path of life you have accomplished so much. Your loving, caring ways have made you the outstanding special person we love.
Yasher Koach

We love you,
Mom, Dad, Avi, Zadie, Winky



Zach Ostro

You have always lived your life with love, passion and an independent style all your own. The GW chapter of your life's story has now been written – magnificently!! It's now time to get busy making the world a better place.
Always remember that life's a marathon, not a sprint; the best is yet to come!

Enjoy and be happy always.
All our love,
Mom, Dad and Stuart

Nathan Isaac Zapolsky

Congratulations! We are so proud of you and all you have accomplished at GWU. You have always thrown 110% of yourself into whatever you have done, whether it is running in the Marine Corps Marathon, fundraising for GlobeMed, organizing the Global Cuisine Club, winning the Eckles Prize, or earning a Presidential Merit Scholarship all four years. You inspire those around you, and you continue to amaze us.

We love you,
Mom & Dad



Vandana Prakash Nair

Our darling Vandana,

We continue to be amazed by your wit and interest in people, in places and in events. Since your youth, you have taken a special pleasure in expanding your intellectual horizons. You were the only member of the family who looked forward each day to going to school. In college, you continued to display the same pleasure and interest in learning.

We have been impressed also by the strength of the friendships that you have made both at home and with schoolmates in Winchester (U.K.), Washington DC, Malaga (Spain) and Buenos Aires (Argentina). You have reached out to members of the family who live abroad and have established strong connections with them too.

As you graduate, we observe with bursting parental pride and bless you. May your dreams be fulfilled; may you always be filled with happiness and enthusiasm and may you continue to infect all those around you with the rapturous laughter and the engaging banter which are so much part of you.

Julius concurs!

With all our love,

Amma & Acha

Alessandra De Sarno

It's hard to believe this little girl is now
graduating from college.
Congratulations!
We are all very proud of your achievement.
Know that we are always here for you.

We love you,
Mom, Dad, Vanna and RosaMaria



Steven Pazen





Congratulations on this milestone event in your life. We are all very proud of you and are excited about the way your life is unfolding. You have worked very hard to get to this point. Continue to live your life to the fullest and remain an inspiration to us all.

Love,
Love, Mom, Dan Leslie and Kristen.









Alexandra Stoicof

Dear Alex,

Congratulations on your graduation!
We are very proud of your incredible achievements at The George Washington University. Besides being on Dean's Honor List for 4 years, you always had time to make new friends, visit new places, climb glaciers, have different roommates, and many more. You are an incredible young lady and we are very excited to send you off on new adventures. Have great times and know that we are always here for you.

Love,
Dad, Mom and Nick

Drew Williams

Dear Drew,
We are so proud of you and all you have accomplished. We hope you pursue your future goals with the same enthusiasm and love for life you always have enjoyed. You have so much to offer to everyone in your life. Congratulations on your graduation from The George Washington University after four such successful years.
We love you so much,
Dad, Mom, Jenna





Rachel Sarah Kafka

Words cannot express how proud we are of you and how much we love you. You are a true light in our lives and please, never stop dreaming. You can do anything. Always remember only you can limit your future. Never let anyone else define it for you or put any limits on it. You will go as far as your imagination and determination can take you and, from what we can see, you are not only headed in the right direction, you will define the right direction. With all of its trials, life can be truly beautiful, and the stresses of life emphasize the beauty of life's most wonderful moments. You are a beautiful and unique person, with unlimited possibilities.
We will always be here for you, cheering you on, and we will always love you, unconditionally and forever.

Love
Mom, Dad and Molly











Kathryn Rose Pagoni

It seems like yesterday we were propping you up next to your big sister, Lauren, for Christmas photos. Now you are also a big sister to Alexandra. You have an independent spirit, but you always come home for a hug. We are blessed that you are part of our family. We are so proud of you and what you have accomplished! As you leave for Spain and life as a grown-up, continue to be proud of who you are, where you have come from, and what you have accomplished. Live a full, exciting and happy life!

All our love,
Dad, Mom, Lauren, Alexandra,
Nellie, Emma, and Bella

Rachel Sidford

Congratulations Rachel,

We are proud of you and your accomplishments. We look forward to the next chapter of your life!

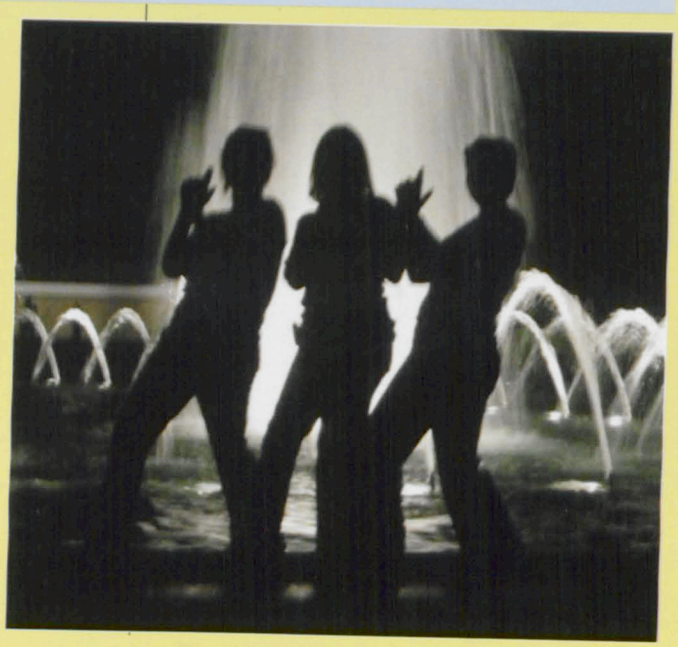
Love, Dad, Mom, Aaron & Sarah



Ella Catherine Thompson

Dearest Ella – We are all so proud of you and we know that Dad is looking down on you and is very proud of you too. Congratulations on all that you have achieved at The George Washington University and always reach for the stars in everything that you do!

Lots of Love,
The Thompsons
The Carvalhos
The Cathros &
The Pfaffs OXO



Greta Twombly

Greta,
You have achieved beyond your college dreams. Your four years at George Washington University have been memorable. You came to college as an innocent girl from a small town on Cape Cod and you leave as an experienced young woman who triumphed in a large metropolitan university like GW. We are grateful that you made the most of your time at school. We are pleased with your education and proud of your accomplishments. We are delighted that you have been so happy at GW. We know that your next journey in life will be tremendous.
Love,
Mom and Dad





Lauren Roncevic

Congratulations!

We are so proud of you and your accomplishments and wish you continued success.

We love you.
Mom and Michael



Kristina Vera Herms

"You have always been very special and we are proud to celebrate in your successful graduation at the George Washington University. May Love, Happiness and Success continue to follow you wherever Life's Journey takes you."

Dreams- don't let them ever die
Hopes- never give them away
Memories – cherish them always
Life – celebrate it ever day

Always remember we will always be there for you.
Love you always,
Papa, Mum and Chris





Constance P Golding

Door: "Why it's simply impassible!"

Alice: "Why, don't you mean impossible?"

Door: "No, I do mean impassible. (chuckles) Nothing's impossible!"

Love, Richard & Linda
(your parents, jicyf)



James Michael Lyons

From sailor suit to Sailor

Congratulations, Graduate and Ensign
Thanks for bringing so much happiness and pride into our lives!

Love, Dad, Mom, Claire and Kyna

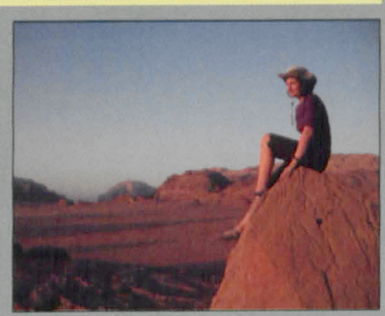




Lauren Catherine Philipps

As you look to the horizon, may you realize the greatness you have achieved and all that the future holds for you. May you continue to live your life with joy, compassion, integrity and love. Know that you are surrounded by friends and family who will always be with you.

Congratulations!
Mom and Dad





Brandy Wiesner

Brandy, you have always stood for the difference between doers and dreamers. You live your life as a lesson to all of us that doers are dreamers who make their dreams come true. You always strive to succeed and achieve your potential, no matter what the challenge or barrier.

Our hearts are full of pride and love as we celebrate your graduation from GW. You have not squandered one iota of the opportunities afforded by GW and, in return, have been rewarded with achievement, growth and maturity.

May happiness, fulfillment and peace surround you all the days of your life.

Love from
Mom, Dad, Rachel, Aaron and Mocha.



Julian Gompertz

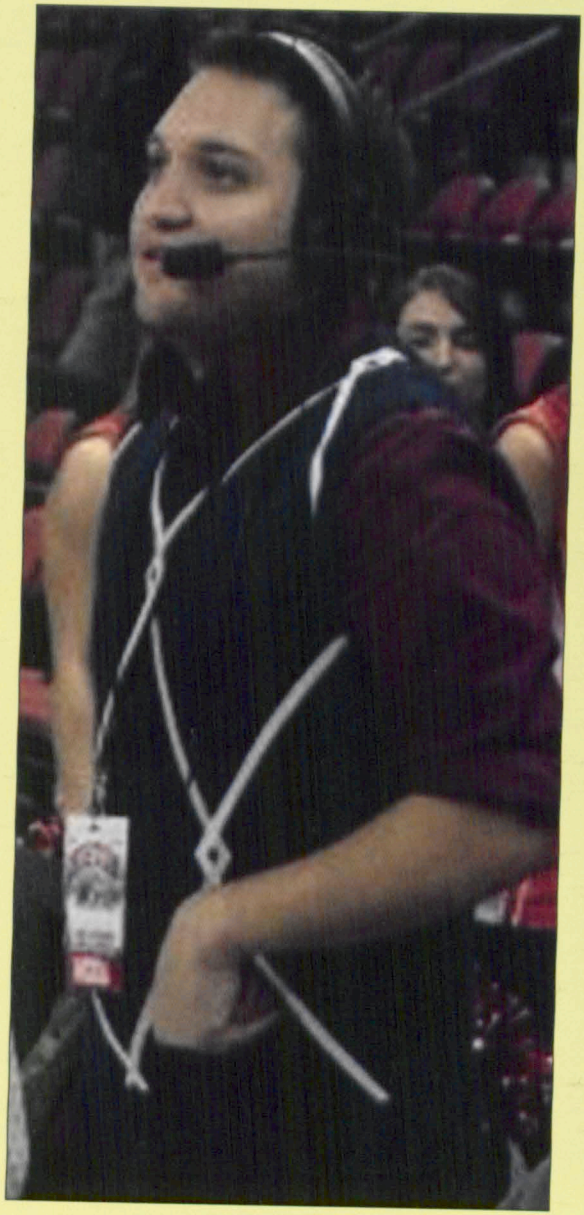
TO OUR BROADCAST BABY, JULIAN GOMPERTZ…
WITH LOVE AND PRIDE,

What I hear, I forget.
What I see, I remember.
What I do, I understand.
- Confucius

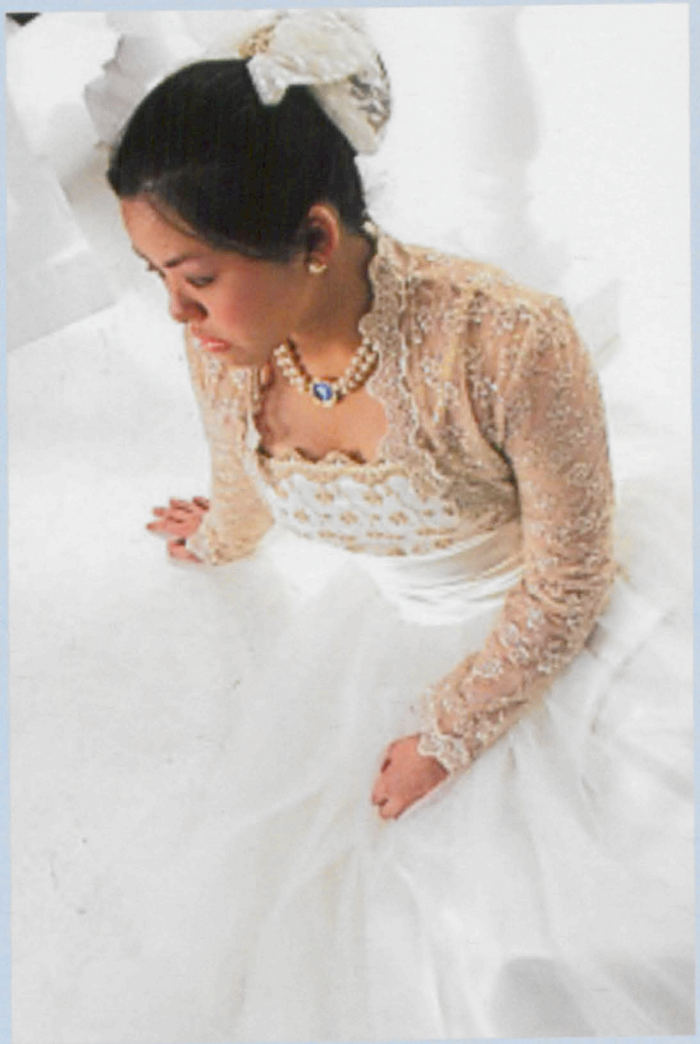
You are "Full" Jewish Sports and Unstoppable, and we are so very proud of all your accomplishments in the classroom, in the broadcast booth and off the campus.

With love,

Mom, dad and Zachary Gompertz



Elizabeth C. Lee





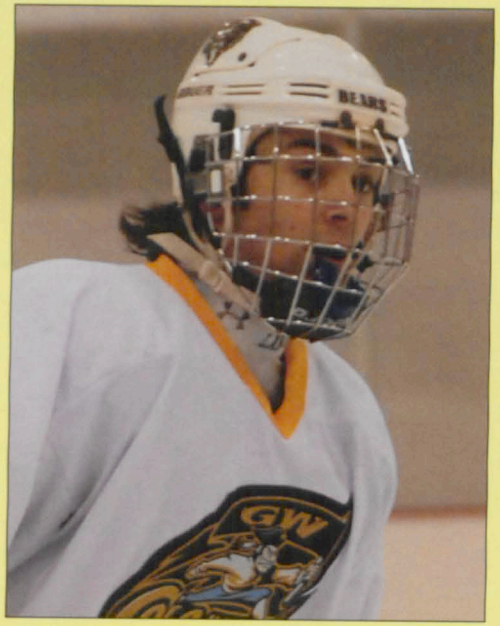


Our precious bundle of joy,
You have blossomed into a beautiful, brilliant STAR.
You are our love, happiness, pride, hope, and future.
The whole world is waiting for your iridescent radiance.
Shine your STAR everywhere you go.
Love you always, forever, and forever!

Mom and Dad

Michael Potolicchio

CONGRATULATIONS
MICHAEL !



Quigui Ronan

Congratulations
Quiqui
We are so very
proud
of you, and all that
you have
accomplished.

Love
Papi, Mami, &
Michael





Blake Gaines

Congratulations on your graduation from George Washington University! We are so proud of the academic and personal growth you have achieved during the last four years. We know that you will reach your future goals and obtain your life dreams. Keep on truckin!

With love,
Mom and Dad

Callie Meserole

Congratulations Callie
With Love, Mom, Dad & Matt

"May God bless and keep you always
May your wishes all come true
May you always do for others
And let others do for you
May you build a ladder to the stars
And climb on every rung
May you stay forever young"
- Bob Dylan





Chantal E. Romain

"Success is not final; failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts." - *Winston Churchill*

Dearest Chan,
Your strength, courage, determination and grace are an inspiration to us all. We are so proud of what you have achieved and so excited about what is yet to come!
Love always,
Mom, Dad, Erik, Gaelle, & Pascale



Gerald W. Pinnes

"Ask the Lord to bless your plans, and you will be successful in carrying them out."
-Proverbs 16:3

Congratulations Jerry, and best wishes!

With all our love,
Mom, Dad, Marty, Emily, and Bentley



Erin Kelly Taylor

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.

- Jeremiah 29 : 11

All our dreams can come true, if we have the courage to pursue them.

- Walt Disney (1901-1966)

Congratulations!!!!!
Love
Mom and Dad



Jill Feluren



Congratulations!

Love Mom, Dad and Matt

Katherine Galliers

From the moment you were born you've surprised and delighted us to no end! We are oh so proud of all you've accomplished and truly look forward to watching as you continue to build on the past into a fun, happy, successful future. May your life be full of challenging and rewarding destinations and you enjoy fair winds throughout! Bon voyage!

Oooodles of LOVE, Mom and Dad

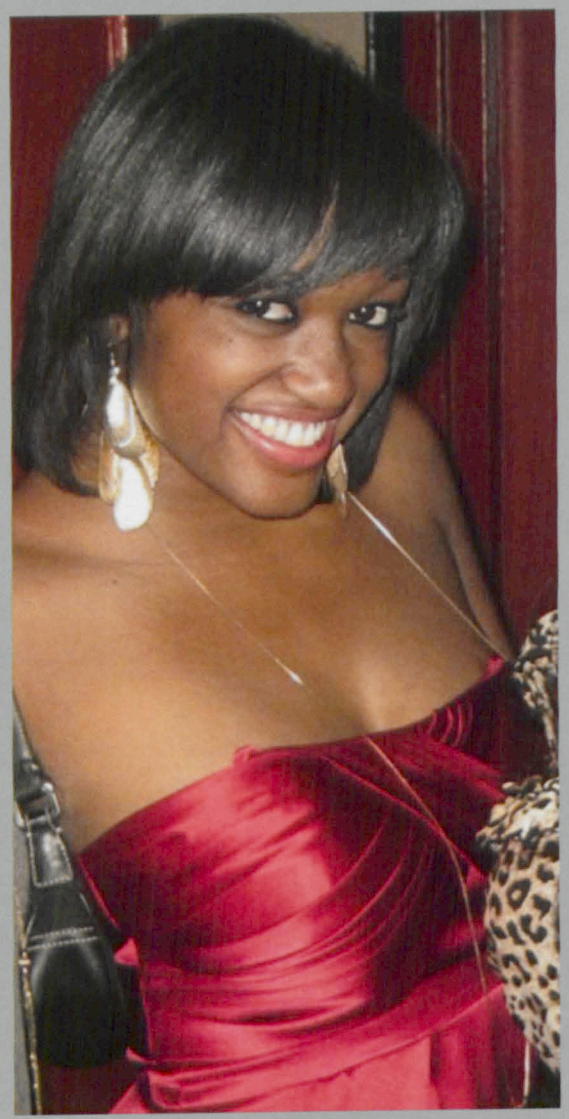
Katherine Ann Medida

Dear Katherine,
Congratulations! You've earned it and we are proud of your accomplishments! Remember that tomorrow is a blank page waiting to be filled with your dreams and ambitions. All you have to do is be yourself and write the script that no one else can own, the story of your unique individuality. Take it to the corners of your smiles, to the highest of your hopes, and to the most special places your heart has ever known. Be proud of your achievements. Be confident. Be happy. Be your best in everything you do. And most of all, trust that our Lord will provide you with the grace that you will need to be successful in all your endeavors.
Love and Be Blessed,
Mom and Dad, and Kimberly





Tracey Hunter



CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR ACHIVEMENTS, TRACEY!

Do not follow where the path may lead. Go, instead, where there is no path and leave a trail.

~Ralph Waldo Emerson

With much love from your family and friends. We wish you the best of luck and success in your future!







Gilbert Rein

You're awesome!

We're proud!

Congratulations!

With love,
Mom and Dad, Amanda,
Mike and Jackson,
Brittany and Dana,
and P-dog

Stephanie Sagalow



Your character is revealed by the clarity of your convictions, the choices you make and the promises you keep. Hold strong to your principals and refuse to follow the currents of convenience. Remember it is what you do that defines who you are.
We are so proud of you and love you so very, very much
Love,
Mom, Dad, Brendan

Ivan Suarez



Dear Mao:

It has been a long and successful way and many matches played. Your kindness, charisma and the special human being inside of you will continue to be your guidance throughout all your life. We all feel very proud of your accomplishments. Kindly thank God for all the blessings conceded to you and wish you all the best in your future.

Love
Pa,Ma,Cami,Danny



Linda Donnels

Linda Donnels

Dean of Students and Associate Vice President

Student and Academic Support Services

IN APPRECIATION...

The editors of the Cherry Tree Yearbook for the past 20 years have chronicled and reflected in its pages the support, contributions and leadership of Linda Donnels in her role as Dean of Students in service to the students of The George Washington University. It is with pride that the 2010 Cherry Tree Yearbook publishes the final administrator photograph honoring Dean Donnels, who has added her own unique and distinguished personal chapters, spanning a 32 year career, to the history of GW and the Yearbook tradition.





Callie Meserole

This book has been a great success with thanks to the hardworking and dedicated staff of the 2010 Cherry Tree. When I envisioned how this book would look one year ago, I never imagined anything coming even close to the 2010 book we have created. So, from the bottom of my heart, thank you! Thank you for being an incredible group of dedicated and passionate staff members. I'm so grateful for having the opportunity to work with each and every one of you. I mean, we made a book, guys! A whole book.

To my right hand lady, Alli: Where would I be without you? Thank you for everything you do. Words cannot express how appreciative I am of you. You have been my support system, my spell check and, by far, the best Executive Editor I could have ever asked for. You have been a great colleague and an even better friend. And, oh yes, I'm glad we survived our "printer" problems.

To my artistic maestro, Scott: Your creative vision and style has truly brought this book to life. There is not a single spread I am not proud of. Thank you for working long hours to make sure that every detail was perfected. You have exceeded my expectations and vision for the book. It looks stunning!

To my "say cheese" guys, Matthew & Mark: You have captured GW in the most beautiful and exploratory way. Your innovative lens allowed you to encapsulate the essence of GW—the events and people that have defined 2010. Your dedication to photography and the 2010 book is reflected on every page. Thank you

To my editorial team, Andrew, Ash, Joe, Katelyn and Natalie: You deserve great praise for capturing life at GW like no book before. Your copy is fascinating and intriguing to read. I applaud you for your enthusiasm an commitment. You are all fine journalists and I hope you continue to write.

To my moneymaker, Matt: You may have one of the hardest jobs on staff. Thank you for dealing with ou "clients" so graciously and professionally. I am ecstatic about how the ads section turned out. You have an incredible talent for marketing that book and I know you will continue to do great things for the Cherry Tree next year.

To next year's staff: You have some large shoes to fill. Not just shoes from this past year's staff, but from th other 101 teams that have come before us. The Cherry Tree is an important part of GW history. I am confident that you will continue to do great things with the book. I wish you all the best of luck! And whenever a problem arises, as I promise many will, I am always just a phone call away to offer any guidance I can.

Good luck on all your future endeavors. Keep in touch!



Alli Hoff

How gratifying it is to write this, knowing that in just a few short weeks, it will be printed in a real-live book—a tangible, solid object that will represent the seemingly uncountable hours of a devoted, passionate and hilarious team of people. It has been my honor to work as a part of the 2010 staff and I am lucky to have known each and every other member and to call them friends.

To Ash—whose undying enthusiasm for the sports world still astounds me, Andrew—who never failed to make me laugh with his witty comments and annoying punctuality, Natalie—who has successfully navigated the Greek community that we both know and love, and Joe—who has been a constant, consistent and calming presence in the Cherry Tree office—thank you for your dedication to the written word and for your patience with me as I demanded the best from you. Thanks to Katelyn, who I could always count on to get things done. I am eternally grateful to Matt, whose willingness to handle persistent parents and constant phone messages from me have made the production of this book possible. To our design team—how could we have done this without you? Scott, Mark, and Matthew, you are supremely talented artists and I am unbelievably proud to have worked with you. You are hard workers, patient friends and kind people, and I do hope that you know how much I appreciate all you have done.

Finally, to Callie—a best friend without whom I will be so lost next year. Thank you so much for the opportunity to work with you on this project. You are a rock star in everything that you do and I cannot wait to watch you in all of your success.

Thanks also to Deborah and Leslie for their undying support throughout this process, and to Thornton and Taylor, who have put together a beautiful finished product.

Creating this book has been a wonderful adventure for me, and I am grateful to my friends, to Matt, and to my parents, for keeping me calm and making me laugh when things got a bit too daunting. And, finally, congratulations to the Class of 2010—enjoy this book and, more importantly, enjoy what's ahead!

Ash McDaniel



Writing about the Colonials has been an amazing experience this year. Besides getting a front row seat to every sporting event, I also got to know some of the athletes really well and now understand the amount of work they put in every day.

Like anything great, my section would not be accomplished without the help of a lot of truly great people. First, thanks to Callie and Alli for letting me go wild with the sports section and allowing me to do some different stories. My work would be worthless without Mark and Matthew and their willingness to go to the eastern shore cross country meet on a rainy afternoon or trek down to the waterfront early in the morning.

As with any sports endeavor, this section was greatly helped by the entire athletic department staff; most notably Brad Bower, Jesse Hooker, Simon Ogus and Bridgette Robles. I would also like to thank all the coaches and athletes for their participation. Without you guys this section would have nothing to write about.

This year was filled with some incredible experiences and that's in part to the amazing staff I've had the pleasure of working with. To Joe, Andrew, Natalie, Katelyn, Matt, Mark, Matthew, Alli and Callie—you guys made this whole year a great one and made those stressful deadlines worth all the effort.

Natalie Kornicks



When Alli came back to our freshman dorm room in Thurston 407, (coincidence? I think not…) and asked me if I wanted her to send me an application to be on the yearbook staff, I thought, 'Sure, I'll take a look at it.' As the editor-in-chief of my high school yearbook I had hoped to continue writing for a publication in college, but all that I had heard about so far was The Hatchet. When I found out that colleges also have yearbooks (who knew?) I decided to apply for the Greek Life Editor position—it seemed like the most fun—and I'm so glad I did. Not only did I get the opportunity to write for fun again, but I also got to become a part of a great group of people. I would like to thank everyone for being so friendly and actually making the meetings enjoyable. Thank you Callie and Alli for being both calm and understanding even when no one had turned in their copy (and for the food!), and thank you to our advisers for everything you have done. I would especially like to thank the photographers for putting up with catty sorority girls and immature frat guys—if only you weren't graduating you could join a chapter! (You, too, Adey! I haven't had the chance to meet you yet, but from what I've heard you've come to the rescue on several occasions). Also a big thank you to Elyssa Nemetsy and Meredith Shoenig for all your help! I'm not sure what we're going to do without the seniors next year but I'm excited to get to know a new group of people and continue to be a member of such a great staff!

Joseph Raser



After serving as a staffer during my freshman year, I truly am grateful to have been a part of the editorial board for the 2010 Cherry Tree yearbook. As the Student Life Editor it was my job to capture the lifeblood of the university – its students. Each and every day I am amazed by the shear number of dedicated, passionate and driven individuals who walk the grounds of GW. It is because of you that this school is such a wonderful place and I can only hope that my section did justice to everyone's hard work.

While the job was stressful at times, I consider myself incredibly lucky to have worked alongside this year's Cherry Tree staff. All of you are such amazing people and I hope you realize how much I value your friendships. Katelyn, you are one of the kindest souls I have ever met and I can't thank you enough for putting up with my late copy and botched grammar. Scott, I don't think I've ever come across a more talented and dedicated designer than yourself and I can only imagine the places you will go. Matthew and Mark, what you're able to capture on film never ceases to amaze me.

Thank you for handling all my last-minute photo shoots and I hope you carry your passion for photography with you the rest of your lives. Andrew, your humor always managed to cheer me up at meetings, and I wish you the very best of luck for life after college. Callie, words cannot express my gratitude to you for hiring me. You are a strong, compassionate leader with excellent vision and dedication, and I know you'll make an incredible teacher.

As for those who aren't graduating – Alli, Ash, Matt and Natalie – I congratulate all of you on a job well done and look forward to working with you again next year!

Andrew Elwell



If you know me, you know I like to talk about myself, so thanks for indulging me.

The past year has been quite the adventure. The yearbook has been a monumental undertaking, and I'm grateful to have been a part of it. Thanks to the leadership of Callie and Alli, the creative minds of Scott, Mark and Matthew, the words of Ash, Joe, and Natalie, the sharp eye of Katelyn, and the business sense of Matt, we have managed to put together a beautiful book to be proud of.

The Features section is the result of the hard work of many people. I owe many thanks to those who helped with each and every one of the spreads – people I interviewed and those who wrote articles when I was unable to. I also owe a large amount of gratitude to the media relations department at GW. Thank you for helping me get press passes even at the last minute.

From my days in Fulbright to my semester in Barcelona to my final days drafting my thesis, the past four years at GW have been interesting to say the least. It may not have always been easy, but I am proud to be a Colonial. I couldn't have accomplished all that I have without the support of my family and friends. These four years would not have been the same without being able to complain and commiserate with my GWHP family and my best friend, Betsy. I can't forget to thank Chris Smith for listening to my crazy self every day for the past three years and being the best roommate and friend ever. We did it!

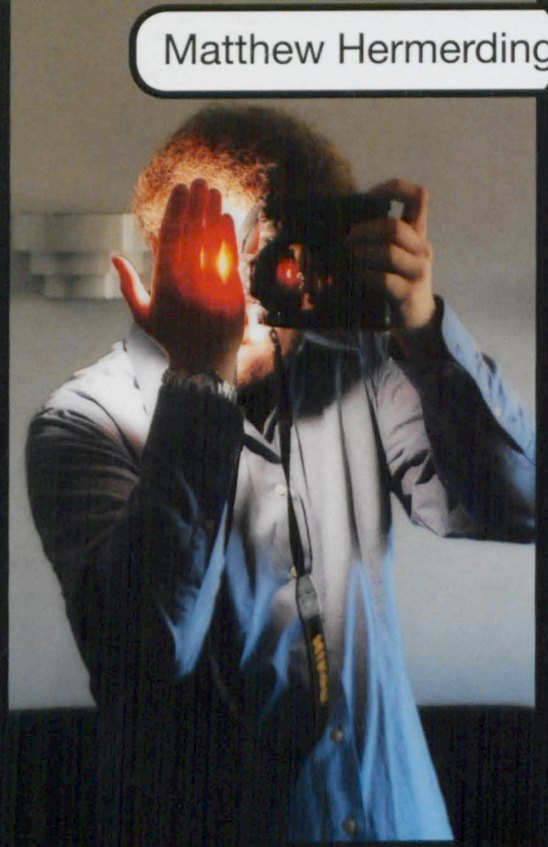
Class of 2010, I hope you enjoy this year's Cherry Tree as much as I enjoyed finishing it.

Mark Abramson



Working at the Cherry Tree has given me the opportunity to always be doing what I love, which is to be with my camera. That is how I express myself and am able to speak to the world. So thank you to all of those on the team this year who have allowed me to take advantage of my creative license and just shoot from the soul. It's been a lot of work this year. Putting a book together is no easy task. I really want to thank the following people especially. Callie, your push, determination and hard work is what is making this year's book possible. Alli, without your support and kind words I sometimes think I would have just not been as happy. Scott, I don't know how you have put up with everything. To have been able to do everything you have done is something truly spectacular. Adey, I don't know how Matt and I could have covered everything without your constant help. You have been incredible. And of course—Matt, we couldn't be more different, and that has been so good for us! Our visions differ yet complement each other so well. I couldn't imagine working with anyone else. You have been my partner in crime. Thanks, brotha!

Matthew Hermerding



As much as a paradox as it might be, the past year has been both too quick and too long. When I first applied for the Cherry Tree, I had no idea what it would really require of me. To that extent, there are a number of people that I owe a great debt. Fist I would like to recognize my colleagues on the design team, Mark Abramson and Scott Underwood, who were there through the thick and thin. I would like to acknowledge Adey Chaplin, whom had both mine and Mark's back all year. To Callie and Alli for being so understanding and not harassing us too much. Lastly , I want to thank Lauren, who has done more to keep me going over the past year than can be written on this page.

While the past year has been difficult , it is hard to imagine how else I would have spent my last year at GW. What I have done and seen with the Cherry Tree has given me a new appreciation for just what it means to be a Colonial. Until you have watched almost every sport on campus, been through all of Greek Week, met the top administrators of the university, gone to not even half of the plethora of multicultural events, listened to the First Lady, Secretary of State and Secretary of Defense, attended countless numbers of different student organizations meetings and been there for almost every GW tradition, then you won't know that being a Colonial is more than just going to the school—it is the culture the students of the school make.

As you can probably tell, my photos are significantly better than my prose. I hope that the photos I have taken and used for this book are as accurate a representation of GW for you as it is for me. I don't know where I will be a year from now, but I know that everything from this past year, from the people around me to my successes and failures will be one more fond memory that I will carry with me. Again, thank you to all those I have mentioned above and all of my closest friends—you know who you are—for everything you given me.



Scott Underwood

First off, I'd like to thank the Academy. What else can I say, but I'm the King of the World! Seriously though, thanks to Lane Alston, Russ Rubin, Gene Pinell, Rick Stege and anyone else who has been kind enough to hire me in the past. All my teachers too, you guys were pretty cool—Mrs. Beers, especially, best third and fourth grade teacher a kid could ask for.

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Have to give a shout out to Pierre Charles L'Enfant, nice job on the District, and while I'm at it, George Washington, Tom Jefferson, and the rest of the gang—good call on the whole America thing.

I would be remiss not to thank Mia Sorkin for telling me about this job, or Callie Meserole for giving it to me. The photographers—it wasn't always a walk in the park, but we managed to pull it off somehow. Alec Noble, thanks for helping me make that cool map on page 226, and all of my other helpers—sorry I couldn't use you any more than I did.

Mom, Dad, Meg— obviously you guys deserve some credit for putting up with me all these years. I would like to thank the George Washington University Cherry Tree for making me learn more about what goes on at this school than I could have ever imagined possible. Lastly, thanks to all of you reading this. I hope you enjoyed reading the book as much as I enjoyed making it.



Katelyn Payne

Of the four years I have spent at George Washington, this year has, by far, been my favorite. I've explored every inch of D.C., cheered on the men's basketball team at games and completed my Michelle Obama public service hours. I lived through Snowmageddon twice and survived the Battle of Dupont Circle. I spent a weekend in Mason Neck, Va. and a week constructing roofs in the most devastated parts of New Orleans, La. I've supported the Washington Capitals and Nationals. After training on the National Mall, I crossed the finish line at the Cherry Blossom Ten Mile Run. I wouldn't trade these and many more memories and the people I've shared them with for anything.

Hundreds of hours have gone into editing and finalizing the stories that appear on these pages. I'd like to dedicate the time and energy I've put into this book to my wonderful mother and energetic three brothers. Oh, and Diamond and Fishy, too! I would have never been able to accomplish what I have without your steadfast support. Mom, it is undeniable that you are my best friend. Thank you for making me who I am and singing "My Girl" to me every chance you get. Spending the morning in the cold waiting for Obama's inauguration wouldn't have been the same without the two of you, Matthew and Dylan. Thank you for being genuine and loving me to the extreme. Even though we are years apart, you are in more ways than one my twin, Kevin. Thank you for all your smiles and sharing such happy moments with me. I am blessed to call you all family.

It has been an honor to work on a staff of such dedicated people. The synergy that we have created as a team is unbelievable. Callie and Alli, thank you for taking a second look at stories and giving this book its wonderful design. I would have been nowhere without Andrew, Ash, Joe and Natalie and their openness in letting me rearrange paragraphs, add adjectives and delete commas. Thank you Scott, Matt and Mark for bringing our stories to life through design and photography. Matt, thank you for keeping the parents happy.

I'd also like to thank the many friends I've made and grown with at George Washington and beyond. It has been incredible to enjoy the friendships that we have and will continue to have. I am most grateful to the Newman Center and the Catholic Daughters for opening their hearts to me. As a House Staff member, I'd like to thank the freshmen and sophomores with whom I've had the pleasure to work with over the past three years for challenging and trusting me. My four years here would not have been as rich and colorful without you all.

And, to the graduating Class of 2010, thank you for sharing the past four years with me as a Colonial. I hope that this yearbook finds its home on your coffee tables as you stake out a new path in life and you are able to reflect fondly on your own memories formed at George Washington by flipping through its pages.

I just wanted to take this opportunity to thank everyone on the Cherry Tree staff for their hard work and determination to make a great book this year. Last year, I didn't even know that there was a yearbook. Now that I have worked for it, I know how important it is for recording GW's history every year. A special thanks to both Callie and Alli for all of their help and guidance over the past months in getting me up to speed and answering my questions. Scott, thank you so much for your hard work on designing all of the ads on top of all of the other jobs you had to do for the yearbook. Most importantly, I would like to thank the parents for their tremendous patience, understanding and concern for the ads. The yearbook needed your support to make yet another great record of your son's or daughter's history. Your assistance was appreciated, whether it was submitting a Parent Advertisement or reminding your senior student to get their portrait taken. Thank you so much and I wish you, the Senior Class and the Cherry Tree staff, the best.



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Leslie Philpot



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Georgetown




The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts
Georgetown



Lisner Auditorium
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Chinatown



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Washington Monument
National Mall

Colophon:

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The senior design editor created the cover artwork. The covers are .145 binder boards in Brown Matte 119 material, stamped with black foil.

The majority of photography in this book is a product of the hard work of chief photographers Mark Abramson and Matthew Hermerding. Attribution is also due to Adey Chaplin. Photos in the Sports section can also be attributed to GW Athletics Communications.

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